

THE JURY IS OUT

Twelve Men Deciding Fate of Calvin Totman.

Admitted He Filched \$15 from the Estate

Not Legal Fight Made on Both Sides

The case of Pixley vs Totman which has been on trial in the circuit court of the week went to the jury this afternoon and it is thought that it will require much time for the jury to reach a verdict in the case.

A few weeks ago Attorney C. M. Ripper was engaged to visit New York state where Calvin Totman lived before he came to St. Joseph to care for Mr. and Mrs. King, and to learn how he lived when he was at home. It was found that he resigned a position at a dairy farm where he was drawing a salary of \$25 per month to come to St. Joseph, and that he had a wife and ten children who were supported by his earnings. It was also learned that a man by the name of Jonathan Totman had stolen a horse and had served a sentence in prison. Mr. Van Ripper described Calvin Totman, and the chief of police of Syracuse said it was undoubtedly the same fellow.

Yesterday afternoon when Attorney Hara was cross-examining Totman asked him if a horse had ever ran away with him or if he ever ran away with a horse and he answered yes. Then asked concerning Jonathan Totman he said that Jonathan was his brother's third cousin.

Another fact brought out in the cross examination was that George King sent Totman \$15 to come from New York to St. Joseph and that after the death of King, Totman brought it to the probate court for \$15 and had it as railroad fare from New York.

When hard pressed by the attorney he practically admitted that he stole \$15 from the estate but justified himself on the ground that he "earned it."

Attorney O'Hara made his argument at the jury last night and Attorneys Pixley and Valentine made their arguments this morning. All the arguments were good.

Attorneys for Totman said that he bought a part of the money with the purchased a \$1,000 mortgage on New York and that \$450 of the money was the money allowed to Mrs. King by the probate court. How Totman

Selling Out Sale

Watson's Gun Store and Loan Office

Water St. Benton Harbor Mich.

Closing out my entire stock of ladies' and gents' UNREDEEMED bicycles. Sold on the installment plan, paid down, balance weekly payments. Closing out my entire stock of UNREDEEMED shot guns, rifles and revolvers. Closing out my entire stock of ladies' and gents' UNREDEEMED dresses at prices that will make you close out my entire stock of UNREDEEMED sewing machines, only \$1.00. Closing out my entire stock of UNREDEEMED musical instruments, such as, guitars, violins, mandolins and one Cottage organ. Closing out my entire stock of UNREDEEMED clothing—65 good second-hand overcoats on hand, no old trash here. Closing out my entire stock of ammunition of all kinds. Shot gun rifle powder 25c per pound; loaded shells, 12 and 16 gauge, a box at 40c per box; 10 gauge shells, 45 cents; see my line of less revolvers, rifle and shot gun. Closing out my entire stock of UNREDEEMED gold rings at 50c on the dollar. Closing out my entire stock of fishing tackle, hunting and trapping goods of all kinds. Remember I have in stock every size of chilled and buckshot made on earth.

Stocks of Shot Guns and Rifles to be sold by the day or week.

Canvas and Wall Tents for sale.

My Soda Fountain for sale.

Get 14 wagon loads of second-hand goods of all kinds for sale. I loan on all kinds of personal property, stolen goods and I always have goods on hand that I am glad to sell my entire stock of wares and merchandise to any one that wants to go into business in Benton Harbor. I have sold goods in the last 22 years and I am to quit business. Will not trade a good thing but want the cash. Further notice I will pay \$4.00 per pound for good, dry, clean ginseng. Nov. 1 will pay the best market for all kinds of raw furs. Square deal at all the time.

W. A. Jackson for in Almost Everything.

man could take Mrs. King's money which was allowed her by the court was not explained by Totman's attorneys.

A TAKE OFF ON DEWEY.

A Feature of the Universalist Bazar.

The Ladies Will Make Nearly \$400.

The program at the Universalist bazar last evening was unusually good. The cake walk of the preceding night was repeated and received with enthusiasm. Mrs. Prescott dressed as Topsy danced, Mr. Miley of Niles sang a negro melody in costume, Theodore Prescott gave a reading. The pantomime, "Dewey and his wife" was given and those taking part in it were Mrs. George Thayer as Dewey's wife, Dean Peters as Dewey, Harry Pound as Dewey's son and Mr. Skinner as Uncle Sam. Mrs. Thayer looked very beautiful. She was dressed in a white silk mull. The first scene of the pantomime was the presenting by Uncle Sam of a miniature house to Dewey, the next was the presenting of the house by Dewey to his wife, third, Mrs. Dewey presenting the house to Dewey's son and the last was Uncle Sam hugging Dewey.

The dance followed and the music was furnished by Prof. Fred Null. The bazar closed last evening and the net receipts are estimated at about \$380, and was a great financial and social event.

In the linen booth Mrs. H. B. Riford received the beautiful center piece donated by Mrs. J. C. Fyfe of Minneapolis. Mrs. Quinn of Cleveland the Battenburg donated by Mrs. Antisdale; Mrs. Alex King received the battenburg donated by Mrs. Hollis; Mrs. W. P. Robbins the duchess lace handkerchief made by Mrs. Mart Wood; Chas. Wenman the battenburg donated by Mrs. Bayliss; Allen Brunson the cake donated by Mr. Austin. The comfortable were drawn by H. R. Smith of the bath house and by a party residing at Heaths Corners, whose name is not known.

Gen D. B. Ainger received the beautiful doll donated by Wallace Brothers and Enders & Young.

THE SOCIALIST MOVEMENT

An Invitation for Benton Harbor to Join It.

"Where are we at?" If you don't just know join the socialist movement of Benton Harbor and find out. Any one interested in social reform will find it to their interest to be at the meeting called for Tuesday evening, December 26. For further information enquire of H. S. WHITNEY, Pres. C. E. REEVES, Sec.

A Correction.

The Christmas tree exercises at Bethel church sodus will be held Saturday night, December 23, instead of Friday night as announced.

Golden Wedding at Berrien Springs.

Benton Harbor, Dec. 21.—Mr. and Mrs. George Graham of Berrien Springs celebrated their golden wedding Tuesday, having been married in that village fifty years ago. At the reunion were all four of their children and every grandchild.

Hartford Water Works.

Hartford is at last in shape to fight fire with its gasoline water works plant. Full pressure can be obtained in three minutes from the time the alarm is sounded. The tower is not yet completed, but at present a direct pressure is used.

A Mountain of Alum.

In China, 12½ miles from the village of Lion-Chek, there is a mountain of alum, which, in addition to being a natural curiosity, is a source of wealth for the inhabitants of the country, who dig from it yearly tons of alum. The mountain is not less than ten miles in circumference at its base and has a height of 1,940 feet. The alum is obtained by quarrying large blocks of stone, which are first heated in great furnaces and then in vats filled with boiling water. The alum crystallizes out and forms a layer about six inches in thickness. This layer is subsequently broken up into blocks weighing about ten pounds each.—N. Y. Post.

Get your Xmas candies at Denmore's 5, 10 and 25 cent store.

Before buying your Xmas presents get William Haydon, the jeweler's prices, 114 Water street. Fine watch repairing a specialty.

Mrs. R. Churchill, Berlin, Vt., says: "Our baby was covered with running sores. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cured her." A specific for piles and skin diseases. Beware of worthless counterfeits. Geo. M. Bell & Co.

Orders for new lardau of A. Kennedy made left at the jewelry store of W. A. Jackson.

PINGREE'S LETTER

Calling for Resignations of Military Board.

Believes That the Members are Honest

But Doubts Their Competency for Place.

Following is a copy of the letter to Quarter Master General White in which Governor Pingree asked his resignation from the military board:

My Dear Sir—The recent disclosures in connection with the dealings between the State Military Board and Henderson-Ames Co., and the Illinois Supply Co., plainly indicate that such dealings have resulted in the loss to the state of about \$40,000. In view of this, I am called upon to take such action in the matter as will protect the interests of the state.

From the disclosures thus made it would appear that the loss to the state was the result either of collusion on your part with the Henderson-Ames Co. or your failure to have exercised reasonable diligence in the matter to protect the interests entrusted to your care.

From our intimate association and my knowledge of your dealings in important public matters entrusted to your care in the past, I cannot believe that you were in collusion with those parties to defraud the state, and I am, therefore, forced to the conclusion that lack of the exercise of proper diligence or judgment on your part has caused or contributed to this result.

In either view, my duty seems plain. The public have a right to feel that their servants are both honest and competent, and it seems clear that in view of the developments referred to, the public cannot longer have confidence in the capacity of the military board to protect their interests. Under all the circumstances, I have determined to direct that immediate and vigorous steps be taken to recover the money the state has lost because of your failure to exercise proper care in the discharge of your duties, and to ask you to tender your resignation as quarter-master general to take effect immediately. Yours respectfully,

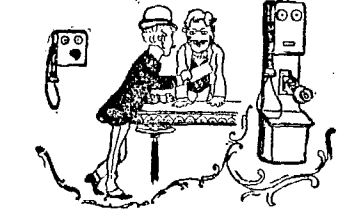
H. S. PINGREE, Governor.

The other members of the board received a duplicate of the above.

The J. Bell Hose Co. No. 1 will give their second annual ball in Conkey's hall, Friday night of this week. Null's orchestra will furnish the music. 69x3

Before buying your Xmas presents get William Haydon, the jeweler's prices, 114 Water street. Fine watch repairing a specialty.

PUT A TELEPHONE IN YOUR STORE



IT WILL DRAW CUSTOM

Occasionally you will find a store, or other place of business, so far behind the times as to be without a telephone. The telephone facilitates the transaction of business and draws custom, as nothing else can.

People like to deal with those who consider no appliance too expensive, so long as it adds to the comfort of a patron.

To which class do you belong?

Michigan Telephone Co.

Wallace Bros. make their own candy Mixed Candy 5c per lb.

" " 10c " " " 15c " " " 20c " " " Creams 25c " " Chocolate 40c " " Extra fine 50c " " Mixed Nuts 10c " " Order early as our large stock will soon be gone.

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THE WEATHER.

Fair tonight and Friday. Slight changes in temperature.

Women of the Transvaal.

The average Boer is big, brawny and strong, ruddy cheeked and wholesome, yet never handsome. The women, as a rule, do not approach the fresh and simple beauty seen in the north of Europe. Here and there throughout the Transvaal you will find a handsome Dutch girl, but not often. Their dress, usually of some cheap print, and the hideous poke bonnet, so universal, do not add to their attractions. They are curiously afraid of exposing their complexions to the sun, and are often pale and pasty in appearance. It is a curious thing to see how carefully a Boer woman will shade her face, and even keep her hands beneath her apron, when the sun. Yet, on the whole, the women of the Transvaal are not unattractive—when you get used to them.—N. Y. Herald.

A Wonderful Storm.

The reports of the hydrographic bureau at Washington show that the terrible hurricane which wrought wholesale destruction in Porto Rico in August last was longer lived than any storm hitherto reported to the bureau. It lasted from August 3 until August 21, within which time it traveled between 4,000 and 5,000 miles. It also began its career farther east than any tropical storm yet on record. It was first noticed on August 3, about halfway between the coasts of Africa and South America, a little below north latitude 12 degrees. On the 8th its center ravaged Porto Rico, then it turned up the coast of the United States, and was last noticed, fast dying out, about 500 miles directly east of New York.—Youth's Companion.

Representatives of Antiquity.

When we read of the men who inhabited the caves of Europe at a time when mammoths dwelt on that continent we seem to have gone back to a period so immeasurably remote that we can hardly picture in the mind's eye the appearance which the representatives of our race then presented. Yet, according to Prof. E. B. Tylor, the natives of Tasmania "remained within the present century representatives of the immensely ancient paleolithic period." Recent studies of the relics of the Tasmanians, who became extinct when brought into touch with modern civilized man, show that the workmanship of their rude implements was below that exhibited by the "Drift and Cave men" of paleolithic times.—Youth's Companion.

No More Hand-to-Hand Fighting.

Long-range fighting is the vogue now-days, and, while it is expensive, it is humane, because few lives are lost. Guns that carry two or three miles are not uncommon on battlefields, and the fight is more a fight between the guns than between the gunners. When the guns on a side are disabled surrender is inevitable whether anyone has been hurt or not. In time, as we progress, we may become humane enough to plant automatic projectile-firing machines against each other and let them have it out. At all events, the day for hand fighting or fighting at close range seems to have passed.—Memphis Commercial-Appeal.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c

A sure relief for that "all gone" feeling in the stomach is a visit to the Hotel Phoenix lunch counter.

Michigan's favorite cigar, Columbian 5c

Buy your solid silver goods at Teetzel & Hamilton's, you know what you are getting, it is no experiment.

Shoes and... Rubbers ..Away Down

On January 1, 1900, the boot and shoe stock of A. S. Miles will be consolidated with this, and in order to make room it will be necessary to greatly reduce my stock.

If you wear shoes

Now is your time to buy, as prices will be cut so deep that it will be impossible to keep goods on our shelves any length of time, we want them to move and to move quickly.

This sale will continue until January 1, 1900. The stock is unbroken now and you are sure of a fit.

B. F. WELLS
113 Pipestone Street...

...BEST... Christmas Presents

The Best Oxford Bibles | David Harum
\$1.25 and \$1.50 | 98 cents

Other books and Christmas presents of the most suitable kinds at lowest prices. Complete line to select from.

G. M. Bell & Co.
Druggists and Booksellers.

A box of the latest papers and envelopes always makes a nice present.

REMEMBER

January 1, 1900, our shoe stock will be consolidated with the stock of B. F. Wells at 113 Pipestone St., where we will have the finest and most complete stock of footwear in Benton Harbor. Until then we are at our old stand in the Sweet block, selling goods cheaper and better than ever before.

Don't forget you will find us at 113 Pipestone St., after Jan. 1, 1900.

A. S. MILES

THE EVENING NEWS.

FIFTH YEAR—NO. 70

BENTON HARBOR, MICH., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1899.

TWO CENTS.

"GOLD DUST."

The Kitchen Sink

Should not breed diseases like typhoid fever or malaria.

It will not if you use Gold Dust regularly.

Send for free booklet—"Golden Rules for Housework."

THE N. K. FAIRBANK COMPANY
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BABY BY EXPRESS

Sensation at Bristol, Indiana.

Six Months Old in Express Box.

Gossips Trying to Unravel Mystery.

The quiet little village of Bristol, Indiana, is wrapped up in a sensation such a character as to cause an endless amount of gossip, and is the chief topic of conversation for miles around. A couple of days ago Mrs. Sellin Fetters received by express a very peculiar looking package. Upon opening it she was somewhat startled to find that the box contained a bright baby boy about six months old. The infant was in spirits when it was released from its temporary prison and did not appear to suffer in the least, owing to its close confinement.

Mrs. Fetters is a married woman about 40 years of age and has no children. She has announced that she kept the baby and raise it as her own. Today it could not be ascertained what station the express package went to. In reply Mrs. Fetters says she does not know from whom the baby was offered, but this looks suspicious. There is certainly a record of express office, showing the point of origin.

A little mystery surrounds the case. The fact has set the tongues of the village wagging furiously. Opinions have been advanced in almost countless numbers, and everybody is wondering what developments will bring. Surely some explanation must be made and the public will not rest until the whole matter has been cleared up beyond any doubt. The story of a child being exported by express is too unusual an occurrence to go without much attention.

Bristol has furnished a great many cases of a startling nature, but this is a new novelty. Mrs. Fetters feels it is her new possession, and is holding the little fellow very close and affection. If the lady really can't tell where the child was sent from, officials will probably make some of an investigation.

COMING.

Next Attraction on the Local Lecture Platform.

Col. George W. Bain, the silver-tongued orator of Kentucky, will appear as the fourth number in the Y. M. C. A. star course next Wednesday night.

Col. Bain is one of the greatest orators upon the American platform and is falling to heavy. He will miss one of the best things of the season. He gave his famous lecture, "The New Woman and the Old Man." Prof. C. C. Gaines, president of Eastern Business College, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., says of "The New Woman and Old Man": "The lecture is one of the best I have ever heard, and should be given on every platform in the country, and before every young man and woman of this era."

Just Saved His Life.

It was a thrilling escape that Charles of Bowerston, O., lately had from a frightful death. For two years a severe lung trouble constantly grew worse and it seemed he must die of consumption. Then he began to use Dr. King's Discovery and lately wrote: "It brought instant relief and effected a permanent cure." Such wonderful cures for 25 years, proven it's power to all Throat, Chest and Lung troubles. Price 50c and \$1.00. Every bottle. Trial bottles 10c at any drug store.

HOLIDAY PHOTOS.

Benton Harbor Servant Girls Are Best Customers.

Toward Christmas time people flock to the photographer's den and pose in the latest fashion before the camera. The photographers in Benton Harbor are all doing a splendid holiday trade this year. Said a prominent member of the trade:

"It's the best holiday trade since 1893. I am greatly rushed and can't perceive of a much greater business. A holiday order is a nice one. Your patron doesn't 'kick.' The Xmas feeling of good will seems to prevail and if the face isn't flattered enough or is flattered too much, why it's all right. Of course there are exceptions. Some people would kick 365 days out of the year. Who buys pictures? Well, as a rule, people who really can't afford them buy the most. Servant girls have a good many made, some of them having as high as five dozen a year. I don't know how they spare the money, but as a rule they are good pay. Then there's the girl who makes a fad of collecting photos. Of course she must have several different kinds of her own to exchange. She's a good customer. Occasionally an old couple, 75 years or more of age, come in. They have never had their picture taken before and generally they act like a child happy in the possession of a long coveted toy, brightly painted. Men don't have many photos made. Perhaps it's enough to pay wife's bills."

THE CITY COUNCIL.

REGULAR SESSION—OFFICIAL REPORT. Benton Harbor, Mich., Dec. 18, 1899.

The council convened in regular session at 8 o'clock p. m. Present on roll call: The mayor, clerk and Ald. Baker, Cole, Daigle, De Temple, Foeltzer and Hall.

Record of last regular meeting was read and approved.

The following bills having been approved by the finance committee, were allowed:

A. H. Rowe, salary as mayor	\$ 50 00
J. C. Cole, salary as alderman	50 00
B. H. Westcott, salary as ald.	30 00
R. B. Gillette, salary as alderman	20 00
S. E. Daigle, salary as ald.	50 00
W. H. Baker, salary as alderman	50 00
H. A. Foeltzer, salary as ald.	50 00
B. L. Hall, salary as alderman	50 00
George Butt, salary as ald.	50 00
J. De Temple, salary as ald.	50 00
Geo. W. Monger, pd for postage	3 00
A. H. Peters, printing	2 75
Stevens & Morton Co. lumber	1 00
W. P. Robbins, lumber and tile	318 56
Stevens & Morton Co. lumber	144 22
S. M. Austin, curb stone	10 00
Chas. Johnson, fire chief, salary	80 00
Ed. Startsch, 1st asst fire chief	20 00
W. D. Platt, 2nd asst fire chief	15 00
Morton Hose Co. salaries	61 00
Wide Awake Hose Co. salaries	103 65
Morton Hose Co. services at fires	7 50
J. Bell Hose Co. services at fires	21 50
Wm. Miller, services at fires	1 75
W. D. Platt, services at fires	5 50
C. W. Hall, rent of lot for hose house	25 00
Geo. W. Monger, pd for hay	11 85
W. C. Hovey, harness repairs	80 00

The street commissioners submitted a report of sidewalks built by order of the council, the same having been charged to the property owners and not paid for. The report was accepted.

The following resolution was adopted by unanimous vote on motion of Ald. Daigle:

Whereas, The following expenditures of money have been made on sidewalks by the city of Benton Harbor on property owned by private citizens, as reported by the street commissioner to the city council on the 15th day of December, 1899, to wit:

A. L. Hammond, Superior street, plank sidewalk on lots 9, block 1, Hurd and Down's subdivision, \$16.86
Chas. Striver, Superior street, plank sidewalk on lot 12, block 1, Hurd and Down's subdivision, \$13.65
Mrs. Ella Antisdale, Maple street, plank sidewalk on lots 1 and 2, block E, Sorter and Rackliff's addition, \$23.20
John McIntyre, Maple street, plank sidewalk on lot 17, block E, Sorter and Rackliff's addition, \$10.40
Mrs. Dolie Erick, Colfax avenue, plank sidewalk on lot bounded north by Pearl, east by Colfax ave, south by Johnson, and west by Hall, \$16.93
Mrs. Rhoda Smith, Ohio street, plank sidewalk on lots 14 and 15, and west 20 feet of lot 13, block 12, McKenzie's addition, \$31.15
Mrs. P. A. Hollister, Garfield avenue, plank sidewalk on lot 3, block E, Ingraham & Bowman's addition, \$8.03
H. B. Volheim, West main street, repairs on plank sidewalk on lot 2, block 22, original plat of the city of Benton Harbor, \$5.19

And Whereas, The foregoing sidewalks have been built or repaired and the aid same have been expended by the city of Benton Harbor in behalf of the said several persons, the said persons herein named have incurred indebtedness in favor of the city of Benton Harbor as follows:

A. L. Hammond	\$16 86
Chas. Striver	13 65
Mrs. Ella Antisdale	23 20
John McIntyre	10 40
Mrs. Dolie Erick	16 93
Mrs. Rhoda Smith	31 15
Mrs. P. A. Hollister	8 03
H. B. Volheim	5 19
Great Northern Iron Works	34 43

Therefore be it resolved, That the board of special assessors be and they are hereby instructed to levy a special tax upon the various properties heretofore described, in the amounts as herein shown to be owing the city of Benton Harbor by reason of labor,

material and money so expended in the construction and repairs of such sidewalks in front of each particular piece or parcel of property, and that the same be caused to be spread upon a special assessment roll of the city of Benton Harbor, and that the same shall appear thereon as a special assessment, and be further

Resolved, That the said special assessors spread a further penalty of ten (10) per cent against the various properties of the same so taxed, and that after notice and review of such special assessments, and confirmation thereof, as required by law, the same shall be spread on the assessment rolls of the city as aforesaid and collected in the same manner as other city taxes. And said special assessors are required to make report of their doings in this matter to the city council with all convenient speed.

The matter of damages to canal bridge by steamboats was referred to the street committee.

The council adjourned.

R. P. C. HADDOCK, city clerk.

FUNERAL OF BRUMBY.

Remains of Flag Lieutenant Laid to Rest at Atlanta, Ga., with Army Honors.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 21.—The body of Flag Lieut. T. M. Brumby arrived from Washington at 3:10 in the morning. The remains were taken in

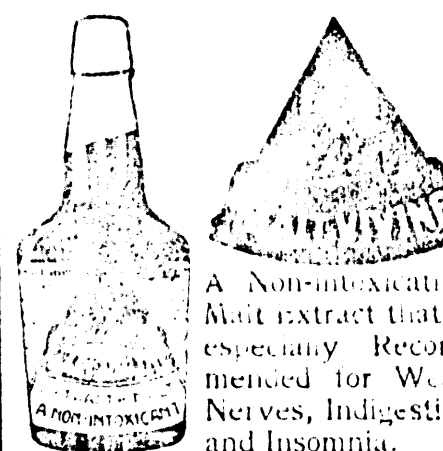


FLAG LIEUT. T. M. BRUMBY.

charge immediately by the police officers and, under the charge of a special military guard, were escorted to the state capitol. The face of the dead lieutenant was uncovered at ten o'clock, and between that hour and 12 o'clock was viewed by thousands of people.

The funeral took place from the cathedral about three o'clock in the afternoon and was conducted with

The Prince of Good Tonics.



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Lovely "Time."

If you are fortunate enough to get one of those tiny gold America watches whose pretty faces smile at admiring audiences in front of our show windows. One we fancy most is an open face with fancy dial and hands. Case is polished with a tiny row of beads on edge of the lids, leaving plenty of room for a monogram. Movement fully guaranteed. Only \$15.

Yours for Jewelry,

Ricaby, St. Joe.

Bring in Your Beets.

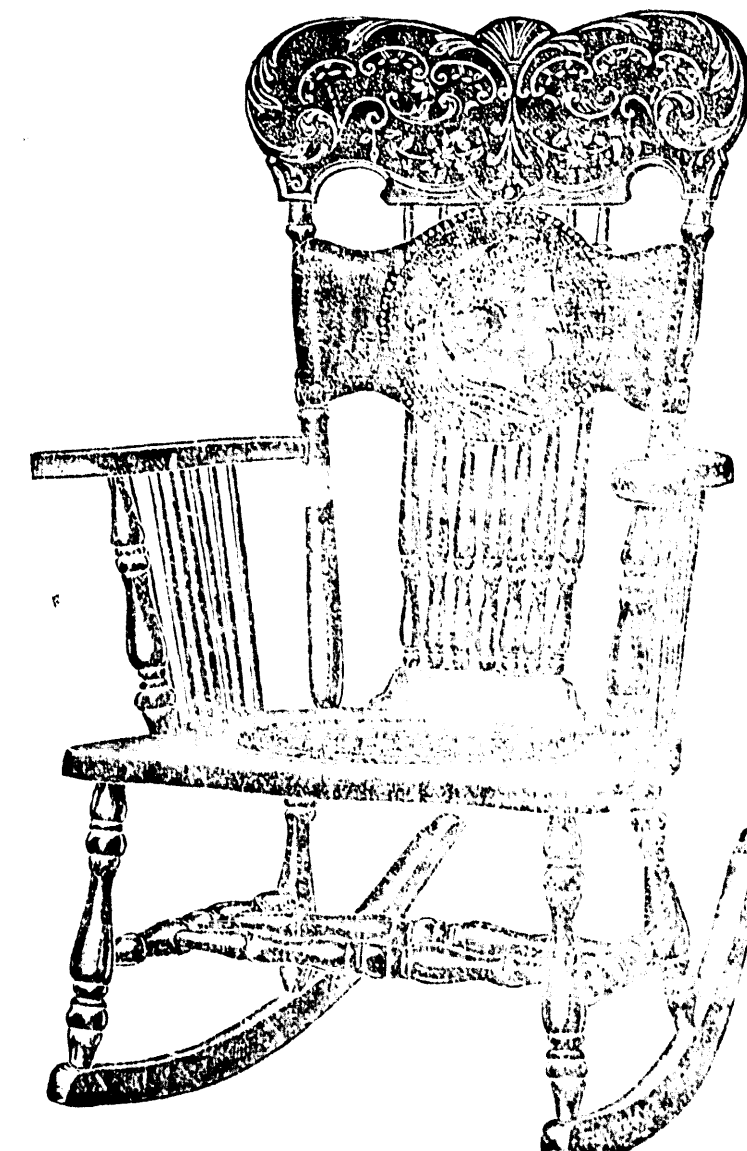
The Wolverine Beet Sugar company request all farmers raising sugar beets to bring them into the factory as soon as they can.

A first class cook and gentlemanly attendants can be found at the Hotel Phoenix lunch counter. Try them.

A. Kennedy has put his fine cab on the streets and will meet all trains. Telephone number 262.

This is the Week Before Christmas

Do not Forget Your Friends and They Will Never Forget You.



Our store is overflowing with good things in our

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Furniture, Carpets, Crockery and Stoves

100 piece China Dinner Sets.....\$18 00

These sets are beautiful and way below the market in price.

Bread and Butter Plates, 10c, 15c and 20c. China Cho-

late Sets, Tea Sets, Creamer, Sugar Bowl and Spoon Holder

in plain white and decorated China.

Elegant Rugs in our Carpet Department, \$1, \$1.50,

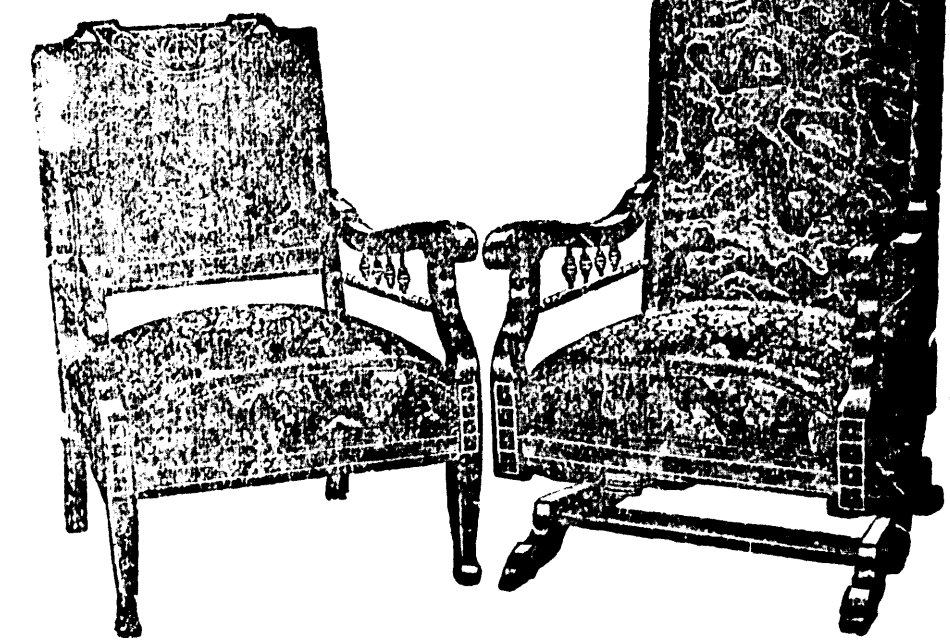
\$2, \$2.50, \$3.50 and \$6.00.

Clocks and Silverware.

Rogers' Plated Knives and Forks

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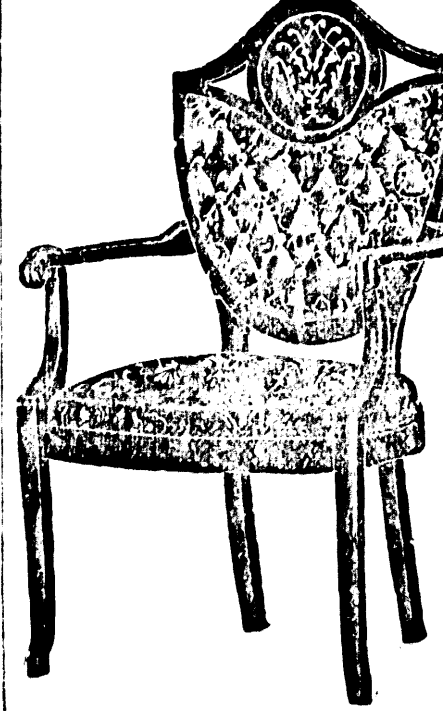
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Book Cases and Writing Desks

Prices guaranteed with any city store in the United States.

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Use your eyes in our store and your tongue afterwards, it's the best advertisement we can get.



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Gold Watches, the stock of either city, at purse
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Everything that is pretty in Sterling silver.
The swell line of Clocks, you will say so when
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You ought to see our bracelet line, they are
simply great—the latest.

Opera Glasses the best.

All the new effects in jewelry.

Can't we be favored by a call.

Will Ricaby, St. Joseph

We pay your car fare. We never sleep.

We Deny Saying

That ours is the largest grocery in the city, but

Our Customers Say

That it is the best place in the city to buy reli-
able goods. Only the best of goods are sold.
Our increasing patronage is proof that the people
like good things.

Cor. Pipestone
and Britain...

Michael & Beeny

Buy Your Coal Now

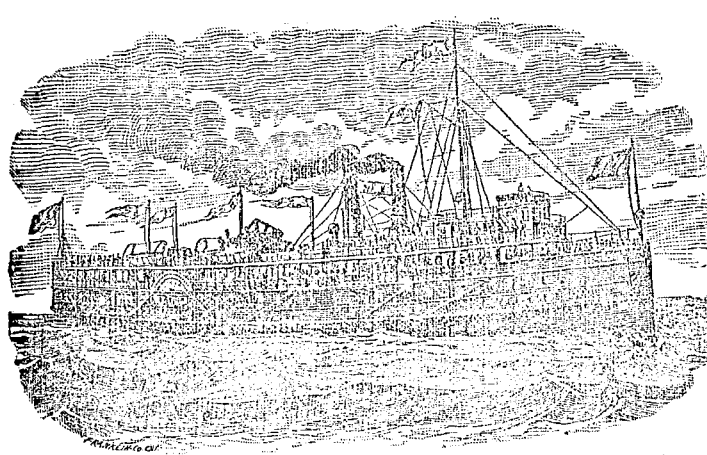
If you are posted on the coal market you
will not delay. We handle the genuine

Lehigh Valley Coal, \$6.75 per ton delivered

These prices are liable to advance any
time. Buy your coal now.

Union Ice and Coal Co.

Graham & Morton Transportation Company



Until further notice the steamer City of Louisville will make tri-weekly
trips between Benton Harbor, St. Joseph and Chicago on the following sched-
ule: Leave Benton Harbor at 8 P. M., St. Joseph at 9 P. M., Mondays, Wed-
nesdays and Fridays; leave Chicago at 11:30 P. M., Tuesdays, Thursdays and
Saturdays.

The right is reserved to change this schedule without notice.

DOCKS—Chicago, foot of Wabash Ave. J. H. GRAHAM, President.
St. Joseph, E. A. Graham. J. S. MORTON, Sec'y and Treas.
Benton Harbor, N. Water St.

DON'T TAKE EXTRA STEPS

They tire you, cause bad temper, shorten your life, and cost you money.
When you are wondering what you can have for a change on your table
call us by phone or we will call for your order each morning and deliver
early. We have a fine assortment of

STAPLE AND FANCY GROCERIES...

There is absolutely no reason why you should take extra steps around
town hunting for bargains. YOU CAN'T FIND THEM.

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A HOLIDAY RECESS.

Both Branches of Congress Adjourn
to January 3.

LONG RESOLUTION BY SENATOR HOAR

It Amounts to a Declaration of the
Objects and Purposes of the Re-
public—Gives His Views
on Expansion.

Washington, Dec. 21.—The holiday
recess began yesterday, both branches
of congress adjourning. The sessions
will be resumed on Wednesday, Janu-
ary 3, 1900.

Senate.
Senator Butler (N. C.) proposed an
amendment to the constitution provid-
ing that the chief justice of the United
States and United States judges shall
be elected by the people. It was re-
ferred to the judiciary committee.
Taking Maj. Gen. Brooke's farewell
proclamation to the people of Cuba as a
text, Senator Hale (Me.) briefly con-
gratulated the general upon the work
he had accomplished in Cuba and said
he could now see the dawn of the time
when the Cuban people would be inde-
pendent. Senator Morgan (Ala.) offered
an amendment to Senator Bacon's re-
solutions guaranteeing to the people of
Porto Rico, Hawaii and the Philippines
a republican government.

A Declaration of Principles.
Senator Hoar of Massachusetts intro-
duced the following resolution:

"Whereas, The American people and the
several states in the union have in times
past, at important periods in their his-
tory, especially when declaring their in-
dependence, establishing their constitu-
tions, or undertaking new and great re-
sponsibilities, seen fit to declare the pur-
poses for which the nation or state was
founded, and the important objects the
people intend to pursue in their political
action, and

"Whereas, The close of a great war, the
liberation by the United States of the peo-
ple of Cuba and Porto Rico in the west-
ern hemisphere, and of the Philippine is-
lands in the far east, and the reduction
of those peoples to a condition of practical
dependence upon the United States, consti-
tute an occasion which makes such a de-
claration proper; therefore, be it

"Resolved, That this republic adheres to
the doctrines which were in the past set
forth in the Declaration of Independence,
and in its national and state constitutions;
That the purpose of its existence and
the objects to which its political action
ought to be directed are the ennobling of
humanity, the raising from the dust its
humblest and coarsest members, and the
enabling of persons coming lawfully un-
der its power or influence to live in free-
dom and in honor, under governments
whose forms they are to have a share in
determining and in whose administration
they have an equal share.

"Its most important and pressing obli-
gations are:

"1. To solve the difficult problem present-
ed by the presence of different races on our
soil, with equal constitutional rights.

"2. To make the negro safe in his home, se-
cure in his vote equal in his opportunity for
education and employment; and to bring
the Indian to a civilization and culture in
accordance with his need and capacity.

"3. To enable great cities to govern
themselves in freedom, honor and purity.

"4. To make the ballot box as pure as a
sacramental vessel and the election re-
turn as perfectly in accord with the law
and the truth as the judgment of the su-
preme court.

"5. To banish illiteracy and ignorance
from the land.

"6. To secure for every workman and
for every working woman wages enough
to support a life of comfort and an old age
of leisure and quiet, as befits those who
have an equal share in a self-governing
state.

"7. To grow and expand, over the con-
tinent and over the islands of the sea, just
so fast and no faster as we can bring into
equality and self-government, under our
constitution, peoples and races who will
share these ideals, and help to make them
realities.

"8. To set a peaceful example of free-
dom, which mankind will be glad to follow,
but never to force even freedom upon un-
willing nations at the point of the bayonet
or at the cannon's mouth.

"9. To abstain from interfering with the
freedom and just rights of other nations
or peoples, and to remember that the lib-
erty to do right necessarily involves the
liberty to do wrong; and that the American
people have no right to take from any other
people the birthright of freedom because
of a fear that they will do wrong with it."

The resolution, at Senator Hoar's re-
quest, was left on the table.

At 2:30 p. m. the senate adjourned un-
til January 3, 1900.

House.

Washington, Dec. 21.—No business
was transacted at the brief session of
the house Wednesday. The time was
occupied in a filibuster against a mo-
tion to adjourn. The democrats and
some republicans did the filibustering
in order to give Mr. Grow, the venerable
ex-speaker of the house, an opportunity
to reply to some statements made Tues-
day by Mr. Gaines (Tenn.). Mr. Payne,
the majority leader, was defeated on
two roll calls. Mr. Richardson chafed
him on his defeat in a good-natured
way. After Mr. Grow had made his
statement the house adjourned until 12
o'clock January 3, 1900.

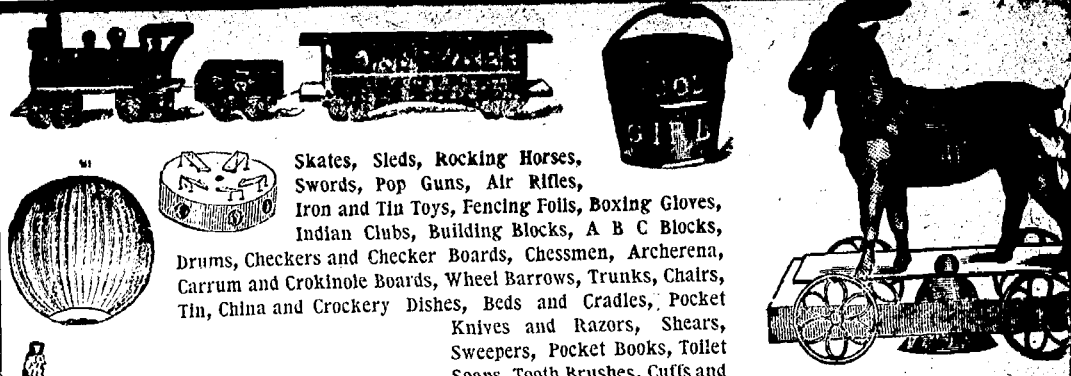
KILLED BY AN ELEPHANT.

A Trainer Angers a Monster in Ohio
and Meets a Terrible
Fate.

Columbus, O., Dec. 21.—M. J.
Meagher, an elephant trainer, better
known as Patsy Forepaugh, was in-
stantly killed by an elephant Wednes-
day afternoon at Sellersville. The ele-
phant, known as "Sid," has been in
captivity for 20 years and was never
regarded as vicious. Wednesday after-
noon Meagher led the elephants
into the training circle for their daily
exercise, when "Sid" became unruly,
and the trainer jabbed the animal
with his stick. "Sid" became furious
and hurled the trainer to the ground
with his trunk. The elephant then
fell on his victim, pierced Meagher's
body with one of his tusks, on which
was a brass ball six inches in diam-
eter.

Attendance at Yale.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 21.—The an-
nual Yale catalogue of Yale university
was issued Wednesday. It shows that
there are 2,517 students in the uni-
versity, against 2,511 a year ago.



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TWIN CITY TELEPHONE 172.
THURSDAY, DEC. 21, 1899.

Will the state senate disenfranchise the voters of the state?

THE Michigan house of representatives has decided that the people of Michigan are wise enough to vote. Will the state senate withhold the franchise on one of the most important questions of the day?

THE resolution to allow the people to vote on the proposed constitutional amendment passed the house 86 to 8—not 86 to 80 as an error made THE NEWS say last night. The Berrien county members were not among the black eight who are afraid to trust the people.

THE advice of Frank Beard to the Benton Harbor young men who would be cartoonists, printed in another column of this paper, is briefly that success can only be attained with the hardest study and the hardest work. Mr. Beard's advice would apply to any other pursuit with equal force.

THE Universalist ladies always make money by everything they touch. The bazar which closed last night will net them nearly \$400. It is suggested that if Governor Pingree would appoint some of these ladies on the new military board that during their administration no sharpers from Kalamazoo would drive a sharp trade with the state.

A CHICAGO woman's club has determined that Rudyard Kipling is no literary genius after all and that his works will not live. One of the critics declares that all the beauty of Kipling's "Recessional" was copied from the bible. It is evident that the Chicago people are sustaining their reputation as being better judges of pork than of books.

WHILE Governor Pingree is looking about for a new inspector general for the state troops he might as well be looking out for another candidate for republican state chairman. It is almost a certainty that the military guard was duped and never received a cent out of the clothing deal. Public sympathy will therefore be with them to a large extent. If the state would pay its military officers a salary they could afford to do more painstaking work.

How Dewey's Ship Was Named.
The name Olympia was given Admiral Dewey's flagship as a compromise. Ex-United States Senator Squire, of Washington, told a reporter how it happened. "When I was in the senate," he said, "Benjamin F. Tracy, then secretary of the navy, sent for me. I called on him, and he said: 'Senator, we have a new cruiser, and we want to name it after one of the cities in your state. Will you make the selection?' I thanked Mr. Tracy and said: 'Mr. Secretary, you have given me a very delicate task. I live in Tacoma. If I say Tacoma, the people in Seattle, a larger municipality, will be sore. Spokane might do, but she is a rival for both Tacoma and Seattle. I'll tell you what I'll do, Olympia is a nice little place, and the people there will appreciate the compliment. Then, too, neither Tacoma, Seattle nor Spokane can find any fault. Call the new cruiser Olympia.' 'All right, senator,' replied Mr. Tracy, 'Olympia it shall be.' And that is how the famous warship came to be named."—Detroit Free Press.

Deafness Cannot be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

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A LETTER FROM SANTA CLAUS

North Pole, Dec. 14, 1899.

To Good People of Benton Harbor, St. Joseph and Surrounding Country:

"I just returned from a shopping tour and have visited each and every store in your vicinity and find ENDERS & YOUNG'S BIG DEPARTMENT STORES headquarters for beautiful and useful articles for Christmas presents. And the above firm has agreed to give you special prices on all your holiday purchases.

Yours respectfully

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52 inch all wool double warp Cheviot Serges, price \$1, for 75c.

All wool French Broadcloth, all colors, for \$1 per yd.

About 50 pieces of colored novelty Dress Goods, all new styles, worth 50 and 60c, for 39c.

Plaids

A nice line of Plaids for 10c a yd., regular price 15c a yd.

Silks for Gifts

We made a silk purchase from a large eastern house, stock bought for 50c on the dollar. They are swell styles and have marked goods very cheap.

Cloak Department

We have reduced prices so as to permit you to make a gift of high grade garments:

Jackets we sold for \$10, now \$7.50.
Jackets we sold for \$12 now \$9.98.
Jackets we sold for \$16.50 and \$15, now \$11.98.

Golf Capes, made of fancy golf material in plaids and beautiful colorings, worth \$12, our price \$8.98.

One Lot Misses' Jackets

Choice of about 100 Children's Jackets, good style for \$3.98.



Silk Waists

We have a new and complete line made especially for our holiday trade. Fit and workmanship guaranteed, price \$5.00.

Dress Skirts

Made from Cheviots, Plaids, Crepons, prices reduced to \$3.98.



Large Line of

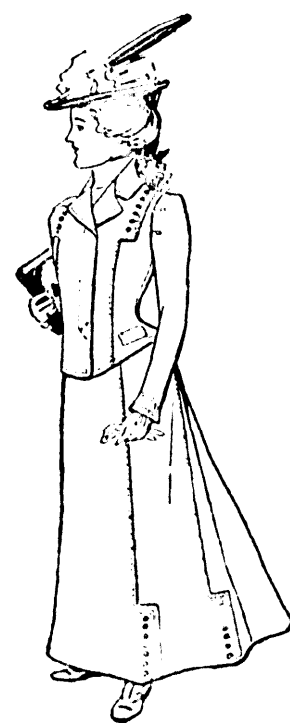
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How About an Umbrella?

A very extensive assortment received today direct from the makers. Exquisite and novel handles, prices are very interesting. For example, a good umbrella for \$1 00 and up to \$7 50 each.

Gloves for Gifts

Guess it is safe to say no such assortment ever entered this town before, 3 clasp gloves special for \$1 00 in all colors. Ask to see our real kid glove for \$1 50 They are beauties.

Furs for Presents

Here is a chance for prospective gift givers. Whether your purse bulges or not you will find something in stock to suit you and the recipient. All prices reduced. Collarettes as low as \$1 98 and up to \$35 00

Linen for Gifts

To be sure. What is more acceptable to a housekeeper than a dainty linen set? Damask 72 inches wide, \$1 00 a yard and napkins to match. Fine linen towels at 25, 50 and 75c and up.

Blankets, Comforts

Serviceable Christmas presents. Fancy blankets, white wool blankets, gray blankets, white wool blankets soft finish, large sizes, price \$5 00 a pair. Fancy cotton blankets (fleece) at 48c, 59c, 75c and up to \$1 50 a pair. Comforts at 75c. \$1 00 \$1 50 and up to \$3 00 each.

Holiday Dressing Sacques

Ladies' Elderdown Dressing Sacques in pink, red, blue, gray and fancy stripes at \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00.

Christmas Handkerchiefs

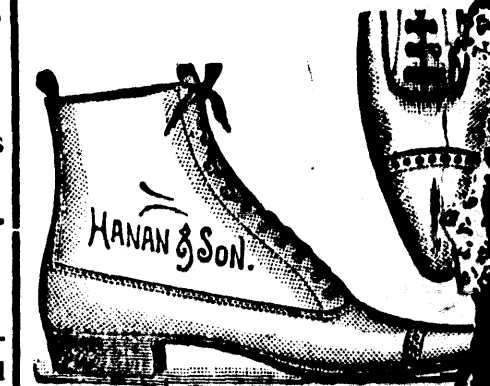
The largest stock in Southwestern Michigan. Women's hemstitched, embroidered edge at 10, 12, 15, 25, 50c and up to \$2.00 each. Women's scalloped and embroidered edge, 5, 10, 12, 15, 25c and up to \$2.00. Men's pure linen handkerchiefs at 15, 25 and 50c. Men's Japanese silk handkerchiefs, 25, 50, 75c and up to \$1.00. Handkerchiefs for the children.

Heralding the Approach of Christmastide

And the many beautiful adaptations for that festive occasion in satin, felts, kid and c. slippers for house and dancing carried for your convenience. Don't forget that we have holiday goods in the Shoe Department. Call and see fine display of Slippers for gentlemen & ladies & misses & children all values & kinds at styles.



Some striking beauties in ladies' prices \$1.00 to \$1.50.
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Some striking beauties in ladies' trimmed slippers for \$1.00.
Some striking beauties in ladies' trimmed slippers for 90c.
A fine lot of gentlemen's Romanpers in tan and black at \$1.50.
A fine lot of gentlemen's fine and patent slippers from 60c to \$2.
A fine lot of gentlemen's fine pumps at \$1.75.
A large stock of men's box calf worth \$3.00, at \$1.98.
A large stock of men's tan calf worth \$3.00, at \$1.98.
A large stock of men's rubber \$2.50, \$2.70, \$2.90. Snag proof.
One lot of men's rubbers at 49c per pair.
One lot ladies' fine shoes, fancy and kid tops, at \$2.50.
One lot ladies' fine box calf shoes \$2.49 to \$3.50.
One lot ladies' winter tan shoes at \$2.50.
Our overgaiters and leggings are the thing for this kind of weather, 25c to \$1.50 each.
New lot of men's canvas leggings, duck, at 50, 65 and 75c.
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BABY BY EXPRESS

Sensation at Bristol, Indiana.

Six Months Old in Express Box.

Gossips Trying to Unravel Mystery.

The quiet little village of Bristol, Indiana, is wrapped up in a sensation such a character as to cause an endless amount of gossip, and is the chief topic of conversation for miles around. A couple of days ago Mrs. Selin Fetters received by express a very peculiar looking package. Upon opening it she was somewhat startled to find that the box contained a bright baby boy about six months old. The infant was in excellent spirits when it was released from temporary prison and did not appear to be in the least, owing to its close confinement.

Mrs. Fetters is a married woman about 40 years of age and has no children. She has announced that she kept the baby and raise it as her own. Today it could not be ascertained what station the express package went to. In reply Mrs. Fetters says she does not know from whom the offering came, but this looks suspicious. There is certainly a record express office, showing the point of origin.

A little mystery surrounds the case, but this has set the tongues of the village wagging furiously. Opinions have been advanced in almost countless numbers, and everybody is wondering what developments will bring. Surely some explanation must be made and the public will not rest until the whole matter has been cleared up beyond any doubt. The story of a child being exported by express is too unusual an occurrence to go without much attention. Bristol has furnished a great many cases of a startling nature, but this is a new novelty. Mrs. Fetters feels that her new possession, and is holding the little fellow every care and attention. If the lady really doesn't know where the child was sent from, officials will probably make some of an investigation.

COMING.

Next Attraction on the Local Lecture Platform.

Col. George W. Bain, the silver-tongued orator of Kentucky, will appear as the fourth number in the Y. M. C. A. star course next Wednesday night.

Col. Bain is one of the greatest orators upon the American platform and one falling to hear him will miss one of the best things of the season. He will give his famous lecture, "The New Woman and the Old Man." Prof. C. C. Gaines, president of Eastern Business College, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., says of "The New Woman and the Old Man": "The lecture is one of the best I have ever heard, and should be delivered on every platform in the country, and before every young man and woman of this era."

Just Saved His Life.

It was a thrilling escape that Charles Bowerston, O., lately had from a painful death. For two years a severe lung trouble constantly grew worse and it seemed he must die of consumption. Then he began to use Dr. King's Discovery and lately wrote: "It brought instant relief and effected a permanent cure." Such wonderful cures for 25 years, proven to be power to all Throat, Chest and Lung troubles. Price 50c and \$1.00. Every bottle needed. Trial bottles local at Sarsaparilla's drug store.

HOLIDAY PHOTOS.

Benton Harbor Servant Girls Are Best Customers.

Toward Christmas time people flock to the photographer's den and pose in the latest fashion before the camera. The photographers in Benton Harbor are all doing a splendid holiday trade this year. Said a prominent member of the trade:

"It's the best holiday trade since 1893. I am greatly rushed and can't perceive of a much greater business. A holiday order is a nice one. Your patron doesn't 'kick.' The Xmas feeling of good will seems to prevail and if the face isn't flattered enough or is flattered too much, why it's all right. Of course there are exceptions. Some people would kick 365 days out of the year. Who buys pictures? Well, as a rule, people who really can't afford them buy the most. Servant girls have a good many made, some of them having as high as five dozen a year. I don't know how they spare the money, but as a rule they are good pay. Then there's the girl who makes a fad of collecting photos. Of course she must have several different kinds of her own to exchange. She's a good customer. Occasionally an old couple, 75 years or more of age, come in. They have never had their picture taken before and generally they act like a child happy in the possession of a long coveted toy, brightly painted. Men don't have many photos made. Perhaps it's enough to pay wife's bills."

THE CITY COUNCIL.

REGULAR SESSION—OFFICIAL REPORT. Benton Harbor, Mich., Dec. 18, 1899.

The council convened in regular session at 8 o'clock p. m. Present on roll call: The mayor, clerk and Ald. Baker, Cole, Daigneau, De Temple, Foeltzer and Hall.

Record of last regular meeting was read and approved.

The following bills having been approved by the finance committee, were allowed:

A. H. Rowe, salary as mayor.....	\$ 50 00
J. C. Cole, salary as alderman.....	50 00
B. H. Westcott, salary as alderman.....	30 00
R. B. Gillette, salary as alderman.....	20 00
S. E. Daigneau, salary as alderman.....	50 00
W. B. Baker, salary as alderman.....	50 00
H. A. Foeltzer, salary as alderman.....	50 00
B. L. Hall, salary as alderman.....	50 00
George Buttach, salary as alderman.....	50 00
J. De Temple, salary as alderman.....	50 00
Geo. W. Monger, pd for postage.....	3 00
A. H. Peters, printing.....	2 75
Stevens & Morton Co, lumber.....	1 00
W. P. Robbins, lumber and tile.....	348 56
Stevens & Morton Co, lumber.....	144 22
S. M. Austin, curb stone.....	10 00
Chas. Johnson, fire chief, salary.....	80 00
Ed. Startzel, 1st ass't fire chief.....	20 00
W. D. Platt, 2nd ass't fire chief.....	15 00
Morton Hose Co, salaries.....	64 00
Wide Awake Hose Co, salaries.....	103 05
Morton Hose Co, services at fires.....	7 50
J. Bell Hose Co, services at fires.....	24 50
Wm. Miller, services at fires.....	1 75
W. D. Platt, services at fires.....	5 50
C. W. Hall, rent of lot for hose house.....	25 00
Geo. W. Monger, pd for hay.....	11 85
W. C. Hovey, harness repairs.....	80

The street commissioners submitted a report of sidewalks built by order of the council, the same having been charged to the property owners and not paid for. The report was accepted.

The following resolution was adopted by unanimous vote on motion of Ald. Daigneau:

Whereas, The following expenditures of money have been made on sidewalks by the city of Benton Harbor on property owned by private citizens, as reported by the street commissioner to the city council on the 18th day of December, 1899, to wit:

A. L. Hammond, Superior street, plank sidewalk on e. 1/4 of lot 9, block 1, Hurd and Down's subdivision, \$16.86.
Chas. Shriver, Superior street, plank sidewalk on lot 12, block 1, Hurd and Down's subdivision, \$13.68.

Mrs. Ella Antisdale, Maple street, plank sidewalk on lots 1 and 2, block E, Sorter and Rackliff's addition, \$23.20.
John McIntyre, Maple street, plank sidewalk on lot 17, block E, Sorter and Rackliff's addition, \$10.40.

Mrs. Dollie Evick, Colfax avenue, plank sidewalk on lot bounded north by Pearl, east by Colfax ave. south by Johnson, and west by Hall, \$16.93.

Mrs. Rhoda Smith, Ohio street, plank sidewalk on lots 14 and 15, and west 20 feet of lot 13, block 42, McKenzie's addition, \$34.18.

Mrs. P. A. Hollister, Garfield avenue, plank sidewalk on lot 3, block F, Ingham & Bowman's addition, \$8.03.

H. B. Volheim, West main street, repairs on plank sidewalk on lot 2, block 22, original plat of the city of Benton Harbor, \$5.19.

Great Northern Iron Works, Fifth street, plank sidewalk on lot 7, block 2, original plat of the city of Benton Harbor, \$34.43.

And Whereas, The foregoing sidewalks have been built or repaired and the said sums have been expended by the city of Benton Harbor in behalf of the said several persons, the said persons herein named have incurred indebtedness in favor of the city of Benton Harbor as follows:

A. L. Hammond.....	\$16 86
Chas. Shriver.....	13 68
Mrs. Ella Antisdale.....	23 20
John McIntyre.....	10 40
Mrs. Dollie Evick.....	16 93
Mrs. Rhoda Smith.....	34 18
Mrs. P. A. Hollister.....	8 03
H. B. Volheim.....	5 19
Great Northern Iron Works.....	34 43

Therefore be it resolved, That the board of special assessors be and they are hereby instructed to levy a special tax upon the various properties heretofore described, in the amounts as herein shown to be owing the city of Benton Harbor by reason of labor,

material and money so expended in the construction and repairs of such sidewalks in front of each particular piece or parcel of property, and that the same be caused to be spread upon a special assessment roll of the city of Benton Harbor, and that the same shall appear thereon as a special assessment, and be it further

Resolved, That the said special assessors spread a further penalty of ten (10) per cent against the various properties of the sums so taxed, and that after notice and review of such special assessments, and confirmation thereof, as required by law, the same shall be spread on the assessment rolls of the city as aforesaid and collected in the same manner as other city taxes. And said special assessors are required to make report of their doings in this matter to the city council with all convenient speed.

The matter of damages to canal bridge by steamboats was referred to the street committee.

The council adjourned.
R. P. CHADDOCK, city clerk.

FUNERAL OF BRUMBY.

Remains of Flag Lieutenant Laid to Rest in Atlanta, Ga., with Military Honors.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 21.—The body of Flag Lieut. T. M. Brumby arrived from Washington at 5:10 in the morning. The remains were taken in



FLAG LIEUT. T. M. BRUMBY.

charge immediately by the pall-bearers and, under the charge of a special military guard, were escorted to the state capital. The face of the dead lieutenant was uncovered at ten o'clock, and between that hour and 12 o'clock was viewed by thousands of people.

The funeral took place from the cathedral about three o'clock in the afternoon and was conducted with military honors.

The Prince of Good Tonics.



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If you are fortunate enough to get one of those tiny gold America watches whose pretty faces smile at admiring audiences in front of our show windows.

One we fancy most is an open face with fancy dial and hands. Case is polished with a tiny row of beads on edge of the lids, leaving plenty of room for a monogram. Movement fully guaranteed. Only \$15.

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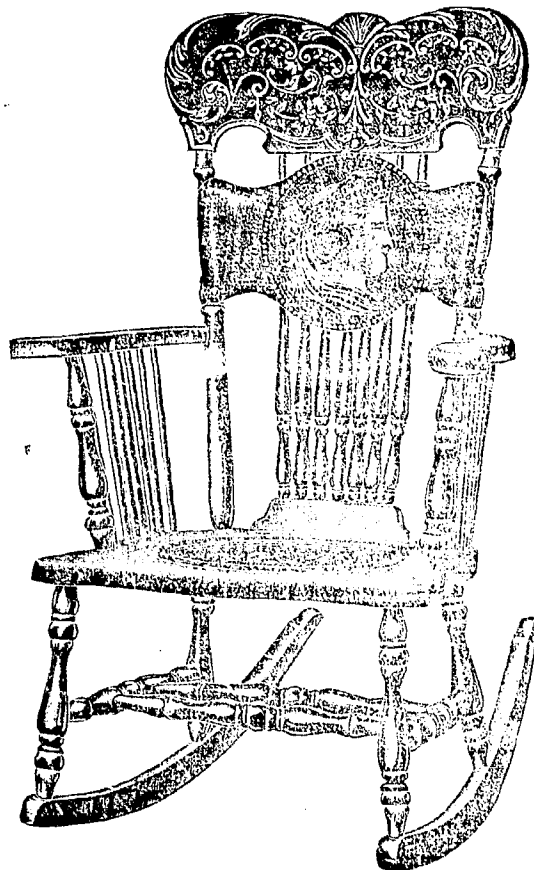
The Wolverine Beet Sugar company request all farmers raising sugar beets to bring them into the factory as soon as they can.

A first class cook and gentlemanly attendants can be found at the Hotel Phoenix lunch counter. Try them.

A. Kennedy has put his fine cab on the streets and will meet all trains. Telephone number 202. 57112

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Do not Forget Your Friends and They Will Never Forget You.



Our store is overflowing with good things in our
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100 piece China Dinner Sets.....\$18 00

These sets are beautiful and way below the market in price.

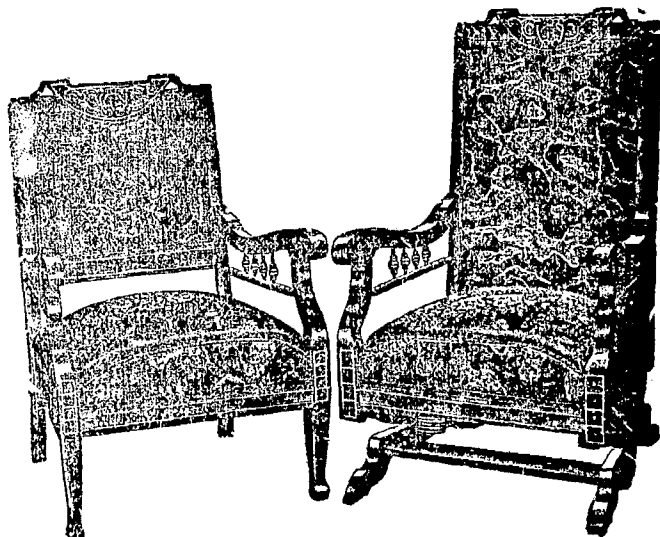
Bread and Butter Plates, 10c, 15c and 20c. China Chocolate Sets, Tea Sets, Creamer, Sugar Bowl and Spoon Holder in plain white and decorated China.

Elegant Rugs in our Carpet Department, \$1, \$1.50, \$2, \$2.50, \$3.50 and \$6.00.

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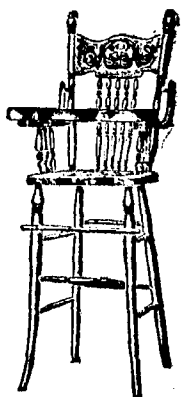
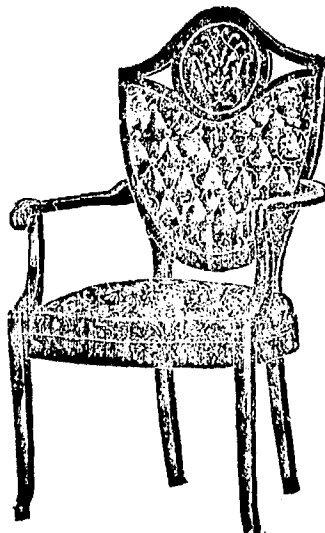


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Prices guaranteed with any city store in the United States.

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Use your eyes in our store and your tongue afterwards, it's the best advertisement we can get.



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THE CHALK TALK

Frank Beard Delighted Large Audience Last Night.

Advice to Aspiring Benton Harbor Artists.

Frank Beard, the famous cartoonist and chalk artist, delighted a large audience at the Methodist church last evening with one of his famous chalk talks. Mr. Beard is one of the oldest artists in the country and the lecture he gave last night will be his last as he will retire from the platform. In introducing him Rev. Dr. Coghall stated that when he met the artist several years ago he was very hard of hearing but when he alighted from the train yesterday afternoon his first greeting to the doctor was:

"I am no longer troubled with hard hearing. I am totally deaf."

The chalk talk was punctuated by wit of this sort all the way through. The first pictures made showed what the artist would do if he were at a restaurant in Zululand and could not make the waiter understand. As quick as a flash he had on the canvas a picture of a boiling bowl of soup and then for fear the waiter might bring him rice soup he drew a picture of a turtle, and the other courses of the meal he likewise drew.

From the same outline he could draw almost any picture and making four similar outlines he converted the first into a beautiful pointer, the second into a hawk nosed woman, the third into a pretty girl and the fourth into a horrible specimen of man.

He made one beautiful picture that of a fine steamship wrecked on the beach. The sky above was natural, and it took no imagination to see the water along the shore. This picture was made in less than a minute and there were many in the audience who would be satisfied with themselves if they could have drawn the same picture in a day. He drew a lesson from this and said that it not only represented a ship but also human life. There are shipwrecks on the sea of life as well as on the water.

The lecture closed with a northern Michigan scene. The speaker said that several years ago he was spending along on a train in the northern part of the state on Christmas eve. It was in the twilight and his mind was busy thinking of the loved ones at home separated from him at that happy time. The scenery in the gloaming was dismal and he drew a picture of what he saw. On a hillside, before a cabin in his hand, rose up a cottage. Behind was an icy old tree covered with snow. In front was a fallen tree coated with the white covering of winter. Upon the roof was snow. The windows were dark and the place looked deserted and the depression of the artist was only increased. Just before the train ran from by the scene there was a transformation. A light flashed from the window and there was a beam of cheer that fell upon the heart of the artist which lifted the gloom of his loneliness. As he mentioned the light of the window, with one stroke he made a shining window that blazed with light.

This was the third entertainment in the popular Methodist course.

After the lecture last evening a NEWS reporter sought the artist in his dressing room. The noted artist had just washed his hands and was putting on his great coat. The reporter stepped up and muttered something, but Mr. Beard shook his head. "I'm quite deaf you know. Write it." The suggestion was followed.

"Mr. Beard, we have a number of young men in Benton Harbor who desire to become artists. Indeed, we think our atmosphere very beneficial to artists, having raised at least one good cartoonist, Kolly Bowman. What have you to say to our aspiring artists?"

"Tell them to work. A man may have no end of genius but he must study. Like a poet, an artist is born. The ability may be hidden at first but good hard study will bring it out. There's no room at the bottom. You can't impress that upon your young men too much. But there is plenty of room at the top. Study your profession as the young lawyer or doctor does. Observe closely. Persevere. I should advise a course of study at the Art Institute in Chicago. It's near, don't cost much. Go there. If you've any talent it'll show itself. If it doesn't within a reasonable time go home, take up another profession or go farming. Too many think themselves natural artists. They'll do better hoeing potatoes. But mind! I don't mean to discourage any bright, aspiring youth. Let him go ahead and persevere. But there's only starvation ahead for a poor artist. The only reason I can make my living is because in the old days I did fairly well. I live on past reputation. Bless you! the young ones completely overshadow me today. Look at Dana Gibson. He has run away from me. I would that your ambitious youths would make a model of Gibson. It wasn't so much talent as study that put him where he is. Some misinformed people think I can draw yet. I wish I could."

The great artist, who is greater in that he doesn't yet think of himself as great, paused and looked remnant-cent. The newspaper man then propounded this question:

"Can you relate any of your early trials and successes that will aid the Benton Harbor boys?"

"No, I don't believe I can. Art has

changed so. We didn't have to draw so well then. I was always handy with my pencil and marked up everything that I could lay my hands on. In school I used to fill my books with illustrations of the text. These were very crude illustrations, but they gave my imagination practice. At home I continued the sport, for such it was to me, and left my trademark on many of the costly household books. I believe the old family Bible still has some of my earliest endeavors on its pages. Yes, I marked up everything and was considered by the folks almost as great a pest as an old family cat which was up to all sorts of cutish tricks. Yet here I received my training and my hand learned to move easily and gracefully. Tell this to your artists, if you wish. Fix it up to suit yourself. But don't forget to urge them to work to reach the very top of the ladder."

The artist, one of the kindest hearted lecturers who has ever appeared in this city, then turned to the lecture committee and drew his salary with as much ease as he had previously the pictures.

DIFFERENCES SETTLED.

Action Taken Which Insures an Early Opening of the Drainage Canal.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—By a vote of 6 to 3 the engineering committee of the Chicago drainage board approved the contract with the Illinois-Michigan canal commission, which settles existing disputes, and it is believed, insures the opening of the new drainage channel at an early date. The sanitary board will pump 25,000 cubic feet of water a minute for four months to give lessees of water power across the canal time to arrange for installation of steam plants. After that the drainage district agrees to maintain a depth of six feet of water in the old canal for the purpose of navigation.

Passed Away.

Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 21.—Rev. W. J. Robinson, D. D., pastor of the First United Presbyterian church, of Allegheny, and moderator of the United Presbyterian general assembly which met at Philadelphia last May, died Wednesday at Battle Creek, Mich., where he went three months ago. He attained much reputation as a leader in the movement having as its object the incorporation of express recognition of God and the Christian religion in the constitution of the United States.

Is Identified.

Racine, Wis., Dec. 21.—Henry F. Corbett, who was arrested on suspicion of having shot Rev. David B. Cheney and wife, two weeks ago, was taken before the Cheneys Wednesday afternoon and positively identified as the guilty man. Corbett was taken before Mr. and Mrs. Cheney separately, and both identified him immediately as the man who called at the house and did the shooting without any provocation. He will be held.

Will Open the Campaign.

Aberdeen, S. D., Dec. 21.—John P. Aftigeld, of Illinois, will open the fusion campaign for 1900 with a speech in this city January 12.

Mice as Food in China.

The first thing which strikes the traveler in China, upon his entrance into any of the many cities of the celestial empire, is the strings of dried mice which hang from the roofs of the houses suspended by their tails just as sausages are hung in front of butcher shops in France. The Chinese hunt these mice with a long sharp-pointed knife, which they plunge into the animal's throats. Then the mice are suspended by the tails until the blood has dripped out, when they are skinned, drawn and smoked. Another favorite dish with the Chinese is dogs' feet. The feet of black dogs are considered more of a delicacy than those of any other color, and white dogs are rejected as being tasteless. Dogs' fat, prepared in a special manner, is looked upon as a repast fit for a king. —N. Y. Herald.

How We Use Up the Forests.

A cord of spruce wood is equal to 615 feet board measure, and this quantity of raw material will make half a ton of sulphite pulp, or one ton of ground wood pulp. Newspaper stock is made up with two per cent. of sulphite pulp and 80 per cent. of ground wood pulp. The best known spruce land, virgin growth, possesses a stand of about 7,000 feet to the acre. Twenty-two acres of this best spruce land will therefore contain 154,000 feet of timber. An average gang of loggers will cut this in about eight days. This entire quantity of wood turned in at any one of the large mills will be converted in a single day into about 250 tons of such pulp as goes to make up newspaper stock. This pulp will make up an equal weight of paper, which will supply a single large metropolitan newspaper just two days. —Boston Transcript.

CALL IS ISSUED.

National Republican Executive Committee Asks for Election of Delegates to the Convention.

Washington, Dec. 21.—The following call for the next republican national convention was issued Wednesday night.

"Headquarters, Republican National Committee, Washington, D. C.—To the Republican Electors of the United States: In accordance with established custom and in obedience to instructions of the national convention of 1896, the national republican committee directs that a national convention of delegated representatives of the republican party be held at the city of Philadelphia, in the state of Pennsylvania, for the purpose of nominating candidates for president and vice president, to be voted for at the presidential election, Tuesday, November 6, 1900, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it, and that said convention shall assemble at 12 o'clock, noon, on Tuesday, the 19th day of June, 1900.

"The republican electors of the several states, the District of Columbia and the territories, and all other electors, without regard to past political affiliations, who believe in the principles of the republican party and endorse its policies, are cordially invited to unite under this call in the selection of candidates for president and vice president.

"Said national convention shall consist of a number of delegates at large from each state, equal to double the number of United States senators to which each state is entitled, and for each representative at large in congress two delegates at large from each congressional district and the District of Columbia, two delegates from each of the territories of Alaska, Arizona, Indian Territory, New Mexico and Oklahoma, two delegates. For each delegate elected to said convention, an alternate delegate shall be elected to act in case of the absence of the delegate, said alternate delegate to be elected at the time and in the manner of electing the delegate."

The call proceeds to designate the manner in which the delegates shall be elected. It recommends that the territories of Arizona, Indian Territory, New Mexico and Oklahoma each elect six delegates and six alternate delegates, and that Alaska elect four delegates and four alternate delegates, and the admission of such additional delegates to the convention is also recommended.

The call is signed by M. A. Hanna, chairman, and Charles Dick, secretary.

A Keen Clear Brain

Your best feelings, your social position or business success depend largely on the perfect action of your Stomach and Liver. Dr. King's New Life Pills give increased strength, a keen, clear brain, high ambition. A 25 cent box will make you feel like a new being. Sold by Lowe & Witherspoon, druggists.

Fresh taffy candy at Wallace Bros.

Poverty Ball at Kings Landing

Yourself and ladies are cordially invited to attend the Grand Poverty ball at Kings Landing on Christmas night. There will be a prize of \$2.00 given to the poorest dressed couple. We make it a specialty to take the best care of your horses. W. E. VERSAW, Prop. Music will be furnished by Buckman & Calvin's full orchestra.

Michigan's famous cigar, Columbian, 5c

J. B. Clark, Peoria, Ill., says: "Surgeons wanted to operate on me for piles, but I cured them with DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve." It is infallible for piles and skin diseases. Beware of counterfeits. Geo. M. Bell & Co.

BIG FOUR EXCURSIONS

Lansing, Mich., One fare for the round trip. Tickets sold December 26 to 28, good returning December 29.

Bay City, One fare for the round trip. Tickets sold Dec. 25 and 26, good returning December 28. Must present certificate signed by the president of Mich. Knights of the Grip.

Winter Rates to Cuba.

The Big Four is selling tourist tickets to Florida, Cuba and the gulf coasts and all inland winter resorts in the south. The tickets are good for return until May 31 next.

Home Seekers' Excursions.

On December 5 and 19 the Big Four will sell home seekers' excursion tickets at very low rates to all parts of the south and west.

For full particulars call on L. G. SMITH, Agent, Benton Harbor

Michigan's favorite cigar, Columbian, 5c

HOLIDAY EXCURSION RATES

Dec. 23, 24, 25, 30, 31, 1899,-- Jan. 1, 1900.

St. J., S. B. & S. R. R., will sell tickets at one and one-third fares for the round trip between all stations, also to numerous points on connecting lines, return limit, Jan. 2, 1900.

"I was nearly dead with dyspepsia, tried doctors, visited mineral springs, and grew worse. I used Kodal Dyspepsia Cure. That cured me." I expect what you eat. Cures indigestion, sour stomach, heartburn and all forms of dyspepsia. Geo. M. Bell & Co.

Fresh taffy candy at Wallace Bros.

The J. Bell Hose Co. No. 1 will give their second annual ball in Conley's hall, Friday night of this week. Nat's orchestra will furnish the music. 69.5

Old papers for sale at this office

Before buying your Xmas presents get William Haydon, the jeweler's prices, 114 Water street. Fine watch repairing a specialty.

Teetzel & Hamilton's is the place of course to get Christmas goods.

Hardware Furniture

C. C. & Chester C. Sweet

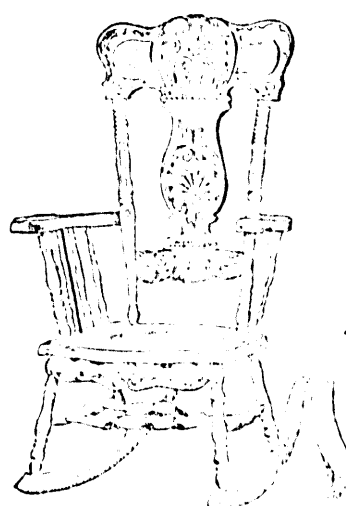
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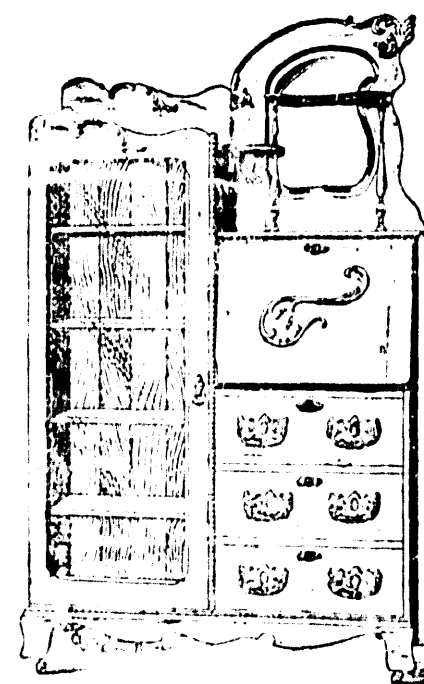


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Rocking Chairs.

Former Price	Now
\$3.00	\$2.50
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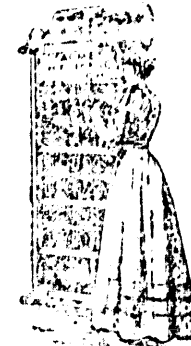
A chair like the above which has always sold for \$4.50 but owing to our large stock we make price at **\$3.25**

Combination Book Case

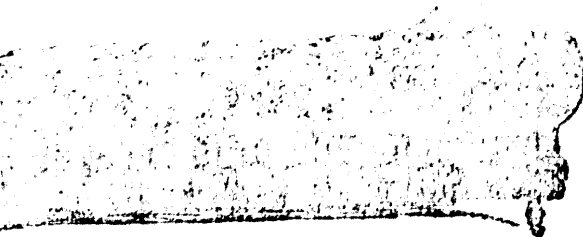


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Another lot of Acme Hygienic Couches received. The only couch on the market built on hygienic principles. Couches which have heretofore sold for \$9.50 now only **\$7.75**



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TWIN CITY TELEPHONE 172.

THURSDAY, DEC. 21, 1899.

WILL the state senate disenfranchise
the voters of the state?

THE Michigan house of representa-
tives has decided that the people of
Michigan are wise enough to vote.
Will the state senate withhold the
franchise on one of the most important
questions of the day?

THE resolution to allow the people
to vote on the proposed constitutional
amendment passed the house 86 to 8—
not 86 to 80 as an error made THE
NEWS say last night. The Berrien
county members were not among the
black eight who are afraid to trust the
people.

THE advice of Frank Beard to the
Benton Harbor young men who would
be cartoonists, printed in another col-
umn of this paper, is briefly that suc-
cess can only be attained with the
hardest study and the hardest work.
Mr. Beard's advice would apply to any
other pursuit with equal force.

THE Universalist ladies always make
money by everything they touch. The
bazar which closed last night will net
them nearly \$400. It is suggested that
if Governor Pingree would appoint
some of these ladies on the new mili-
tary board that during their adminis-
tration no sharpers from Kalamazoo
would drive a sharp trade with the
state.

A CHICAGO woman's club has de-
termined that Rudyard Kipling is no
literary genius after all and that his
works will not live. One of the critics
declares that all the beauty of Kipling's
"Recessional" was copied from the
Bible. It is evident that the Chicago
people are sustaining their reputation
as being better judges of pork than of
books.

WHILE Governor Pingree is looking
about for a new inspector general for
the state troops he might as well be
looking out for another candidate for
republican state chairman. It is al-
most a certainty that the military
board was duped and never received a
cent out of the clothing deal. Public
sympathy will therefore be with them
to a large extent. If the state would
pay its military officers a salary they
could afford to do more painstaking
work.

How Dewey's Ship Was Named.
The name Olympia was given Ad-
miral Dewey's flagship as a compro-
mise. Ex-United States Senator
Equire, of Washington, told a report-
er how it happened. "When I was in
the senate," he said, "Benjamin F.
Tracy, then secretary of the navy, sent
for me. I called on him, and he said:
'Senator, we have a new cruiser, and
we want to name it after one of the
cities in your state. Will you make
the selection?' I thanked Mr. Tracy
and said: 'Mr. Secretary, you have
given me a very delicate task. I live
in Tacoma. If I say Tacoma, the peo-
ple in Seattle, a larger municipality,
will be sore. Spokane might do, but
she is a rival for both Tacoma and
Seattle. I'll tell you what I'll do.
Olympia is a nice little place, and the
people there will appreciate the com-
pliment. Then, too, neither Tacoma,
Seattle nor Spokane can find any fault.
Call the new cruiser Olympia.' 'All
right, senator,' replied Mr. Tracy.
'Olympia it shall be.' And that is how
the famous warship came to be
named."—Detroit Free Press.

Deafness Cannot be Cured
by local applications, as they cannot
reach the diseased portion of the ear.
There is only one way to cure deafness,
and that is by constitutional remedies.
Deafness is caused by an inflamed con-
dition of the mucous lining of the
Eustachian Tube. When this tube
gets inflamed you have a rumbling
round or imperfect hearing, and when
it is entirely closed deafness is the re-
sult, and unless the inflammation can
be taken out and this tube restored to
its normal condition, hearing will be
destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten
are caused by catarrh, which is noth-
ing but an inflamed condition of the
mucous surfaces.

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During the week before Christmas
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thing in our stores. If you intend mak-
ing presents, no matter how small or
large we can fit your pocketbook. We
have the goods and want to dispose of
them and will make prices on the finest
quality of goods that will make them
move. Be sure and call and inspect
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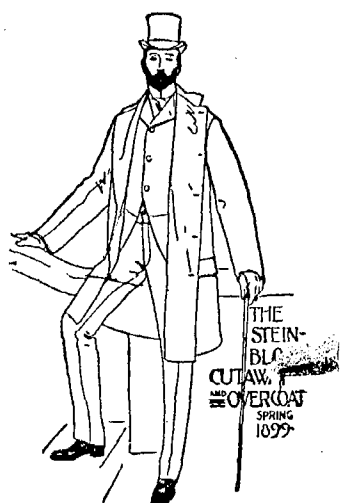
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We have them every month in the year. December is also the month in which to make your holiday purchases for presents and Christmas greetings, and there is no more acceptable present than something pretty and useful in wearing apparel. Our Clothing Department is full of the bright new things, such as Smoking Jackets, Mufflers, Gloves, Mittens, Suspenders, Hats and Caps, Fine Linen and Silk Handkerchiefs, Fine Umbrellas, Men's, Boys' and Children's Clothing, Fine Traveling Bags and Dress Suit Cases, and in fact everything that goes to make a boy or gentleman happy. We also have about 200 more of those Gents' Business Suits at \$7.90 each, were \$10 to \$15; 250 more of those Gents' Business Suits at \$6.50 each, were \$9 to \$12.50. A large and well assorted stock of Men's, Boys' and Children's Overcoats, Ulsters and Reefers at 10 to 25 per cent discount to close them out.



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A LETTER FROM SANTA CLAUS

North Pole, Dec. 14, 1899.

To Good People of Benton Harbor, St. Joseph and Surrounding Country:

"I just returned from a shopping tour and have visited each and every store in your vicinity and find ENDERS & YOUNG'S BIG DEPARTMENT STORES headquarters for beautiful and useful articles for Christmas presents. And the above firm has agreed to give you special prices on all your holiday purchases.

Yours respectfully

SANTA CLAUS.

P. S.—Quotations made by firm.

Fine Dress Goods



Make elegant Christmas presents. Black and colored Dress Goods at tempting prices.

Mohair and Silk Crepons, Blister Crepons, new lot and prices from 50c up to \$2.50 per yard.

52 inch all wool double warp Cheviot Serges, price \$1, for 75c.

All wool French Broadcloth, all colors, for \$1 per yd.

About 50 pieces of colored novelty Dress Goods, all new styles, worth 50 and 60c, for 39c.

Plaids

A nice line of Plaids for 10c a yd., regular price 15c a yd.

Silks for Gifts

We made a silk purchase from a large eastern house, stock bought for 50c on the dollar. They are swell styles and have marked goods very cheap.

Cloak Department

We have reduced prices so as to permit you to make a gift of high grade garments:

Jackets we sold for \$10, now \$7.50.

Jackets we sold for \$12 now \$9.98.

Jackets we sold for \$16.50 and \$15. now \$11.98.

Golf Capes, made of fancy golf material in plaids and beautiful colorings, worth \$12, our price \$8.98.



One Lot Misses' Jackets

Choice of about 100 Children's Jackets, good style for \$3.98.

Silk Waists

We have a new and complete line made especially for our holiday trade. Fit and workmanship guaranteed, price \$5.00.

Dress Skirts

Made from Cheviots, Plaids, Crepons, prices reduced to \$3.98.



Large Line of Millinery

Chic,
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Ladies' Outing Flannel Gowns

Well made and full size for 50c. Ladies' Outing Flannel Underskirts for 25c, lace trimmed 50c.



How About an Umbrella?

A very extensive assortment received today direct from the makers. Exquisite and novel handles, prices are very interesting. For example, a good umbrella for \$1 00 and up to \$7 50 each.

Gloves for Gifts

Guess it is safe to say no such assortment ever entered this town before, 3 clasp gloves special for \$1 00 in all colors. Ask to see our real kid glove for \$1 50 They are beauties.

Furs for Presents

Here is a chance for prospective gift givers. Whether your purse bulges or not you will find something in stock to suit you and the recipient. All prices reduced. Collarettes as low as \$1 98 and up to \$35 00

Linen for Gifts

To be sure. What is more acceptable to a housekeeper than a dainty linen set? Damask 72 inches wide, \$1 00 a yard and napkins to match. Fine linen towels at 25, 50 and 75c and up.

Blankets, Comforts

Serviceable Christmas presents. Fancy blankets, white wool blankets, gray blankets, white wool blankets soft finish, large sizes, price \$5 00 a pair. Fancy cotton blankets (fleece) at 48c, 59c, 75c and up to \$1 50 a pair. Comforts at 75c, \$1 00 and up to \$3 00 each.

Holiday Dressing Sacques

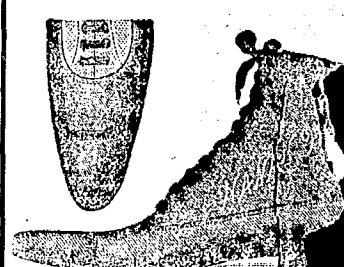
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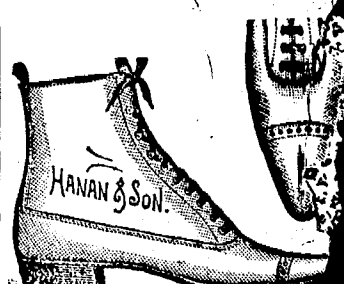
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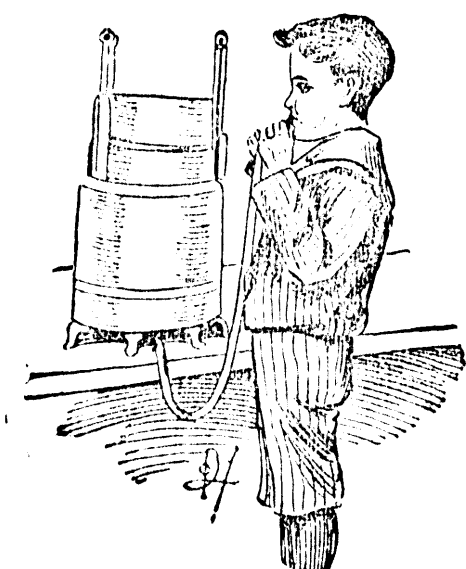
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[Special Chicago Letter.]

AN OCCASION keenly enjoyed was a recent visit to the "lunch room" at the top of the Lake View high school building, where tests of the physical condition of the pupils are being made by Fred W. Smedley, C. Victor Campbell and their assistants. The experience of these two gentlemen has rendered them, probably better than any others in the country, capable of conducting, on a large scale, the work of child study. Similar investigations have for a long time been carried on in different

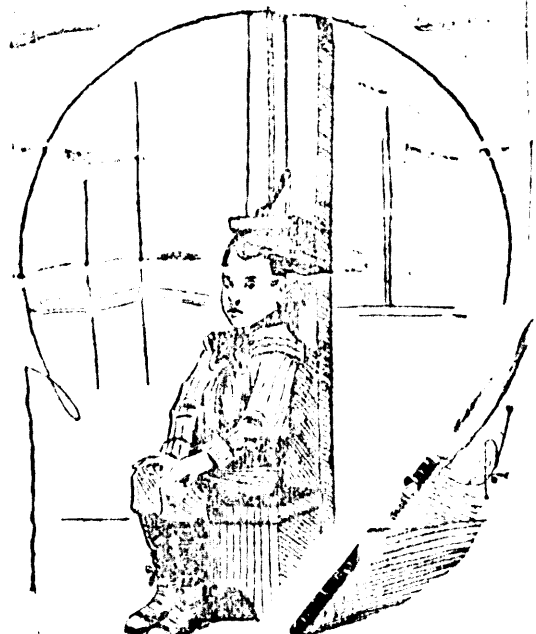


USING THE SPIROMETER.

places, but never before systematically under direction of a city school board as a regular part of the educational work. The establishment of anthropometry as a part of the school system is due to the efforts of a member of the board of education, Dr. W. S. Christopher, who is a specialist in children's diseases. The tests are not for a moment to be considered as a medical examination, although when any marked symptoms of disease are found in a child the parents are advised to consult their family physician.

The lungs are tested by a spirometer, no child being allowed to place in his mouth the glass tube used by his predecessor. As soon as used a tube is removed and a fresh one substituted. The larger the lung capacity the greater the ability to endure sustained mental effort. The eyes are examined by methods closely resembling those employed by ordinary opticians. In one instance Mr. Smedley called attention to a slight puffiness under the eyes of a little girl otherwise very healthy. This, he said, was caused by a relaxed eye muscle and often induced severe headaches. These eyes were in a very suspicious condition and demanded the care of a first-class oculist. Another child presented a marked case of myopia, but while the general health continued robust this would cause no great trouble. She was told to ask her teacher for a front seat in school.

An audiometer, a new instrument, the first of its kind ever manufactured, tests the hearing. It is operated by a small battery connected by a rubber tube to an ear-piece. When the latter is placed against the ear a slight click may be heard. The clicks vary in intensity in a graduated scale, and at the point where there is no perceptible sound the capacity for hearing ceases. A child may have been considered stupid when his only trouble lay in his inability to hear or distinguish sounds. A card is made for each child, on which is registered his name, grade, birthday, birthplace of self and parents, school standing and all the results of the tests made. Observations are made of which a child



TAKING A MEASUREMENT.

is wholly unconscious. When told to extend his arms, he does not know that the position in which the hands are held indicate temperament and general nervous condition. Slight cases of chorea or St. Vitus dance are often first apparent in a slight twitching of the fingers when the arms are held outstretched. The size and shape of the head, the formation of the features, their movements and those of other portions of the body are noted. The strength of grip in each hand is measured by a manometer. The height, sitting and standing, is obtained by the celebrated Bertillon method.

But perhaps the most interesting of all the tests is that made by means of the ergograph. This apparatus consists of a fixing-board on which the arm and hand are so held that motion is confined to the middle finger of the right hand, and a tracing machine, which guides a pen over a revolving drum, thus indicating movement of the

weight which is seven per cent. of the child's weight. A tape line carried forward with each pull of the finger registers the distance the weight has been lifted, thus assisting in determining amount of work done.

An ergogram, or tracing, is as characteristic of each person as his handwriting. Want of muscular control is shown by irregularity in height of the lifts and uneven spacing. The movement of the finger is timed to the beating of a metronome. The weight is supposed to be lifted once in every two seconds for a minute and a half. Only some of the weakest were unable to lift it a short distance until the expiration of the time, and but few were in such excellent condition that their ergograms showed no falling off before the expiration of 90 seconds.

At first one pulls evenly and strongly, and it seems that the effort may be sustained indefinitely, but gradually the distance decreases until it becomes literally impossible to "lift a finger." This is, of course, a test of muscular fatigue, but is regarded as more important as indicating fatigue of the nerve centers. After the muscles have moved as long as possible they may be made to continue the same motions without volition by electrical stimulation until the nerves are rested, when the person can move the finger and register as good results as before. All this time the muscles have been in motion, although while electricity was applied the motor nerves were inactive. For some time this work was carried on in the Alcott school. This was selected, as the children are well clothed and fed, and of American families, in comfortable circumstances. Averages obtained there would greatly help in securing data by means of which to judge normal American children. Of course in localities where a foreign element predominates allowance must be made for differences in national characteristics, height, weight and many other things. Comparisons between tests made of students at the Alcott school and those of one of the ungraded rooms of one of the city schools are very interesting. In the latter were 20 pupils, all backward mentally and in most instances regarded as vicious. Many were found to be suffering from mal-nutrition. Semi-starvation is not conducive to good mental work. Several were short in lung capacity. Sixty per cent. reached the subnormal point in hearing, while this was true of only 24 per cent. in the Alcott school. Two had very small heads. Some had badly formed ears and other



TESTING THE HEARING.

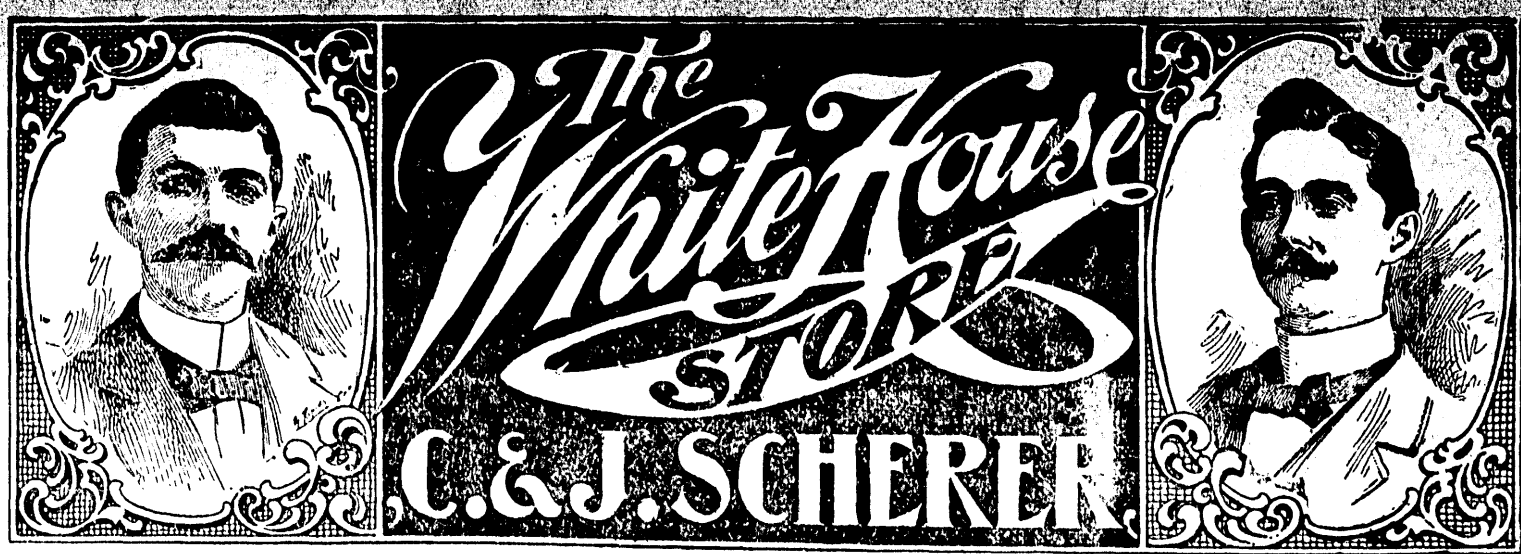
features; others were one-sided; all showed some strongly-marked physical defects to accompany the small mental development.

One of the results of investigations thus far made is knowledge that endurance in girls does not increase in the same proportion with age as in boys. There is a distinct relationship in children between physical condition and intellectual capacity, the latter varying directly as the former. The tallest and heaviest pupils average highest in their studies, although there are many exceptions to this rule. The tests show that a child's vital force varies greatly throughout the day. Often in the morning it is strong, at eleven it has decreased and at noon it is low. After lunch it comes up again, is good at two and low at five. It is low, the highest degree of force. While the higher in the highest school grades than the lowest, the lowest in the lowest grades. The lowest in the lowest grades. Mr. Smedley believes that in physical exercises some of the grades should be made into at least three divisions. He mentally they do the same work.

Physical exercises required by the stronger pupils might nearly kill the weaker ones, while good exercise for the latter would scarcely benefit the former. These investigations must proceed slowly and along somewhat narrow lines at first. Here is an almost unexplored field and those conducting the work must make their own data as they proceed. When the people at large come to an understanding of what is being accomplished great sympathy and help will be given to the movement. The results obtained in the Chicago public schools will prove invaluable to educational institutions all over the country, and it would seem a natural consequence that before long men skilled in this work will be employed in every county, passing from school to school making tests, which will not only indicate a course of training for individual pupils but furnish data for further work along the same lines.

Stole a Queen's Chatters.

An extraordinary case of theft is reported from The Hague, the victim being no less a personage than Queen Wilhelmina herself. The culprit appears to be the person to whom the safe custody of the young queen's valuables was intrusted. The stolen articles consist of valuable gold and silver toilet pieces, and seem to have been abstracted from her majesty's dressing-room. Their disappearance was the cause of inquiries being made, and when the bulk of them were discovered in the possession of a silversmith he stated that he had bought them from the official in



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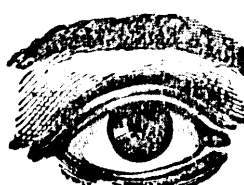
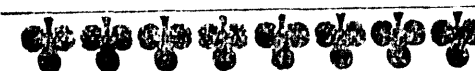
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THE CHALK TALK

Frank Beard Delighted Large Audience Last Night.

Advice to Aspiring Benton Harbor Artists.

Frank Beard, the famous cartoonist and chalk artist, delighted a large audience at the Methodist church last evening with one of his famous chalk talks. Mr. Beard is one of the oldest artists in the country and the lecture he gave last night will be his last as he will retire from the platform. In introducing him Rev. Dr. Cogshall stated that when he met the artist several years ago he was very hard of hearing but when he alighted from the train yesterday afternoon his first greeting to the doctor was:

"I am no longer troubled with hard hearing. I am totally deaf."

The chalk talk was punctuated by wit of this sort all the way through. The first pictures made showed what the artist would do if he were at a restaurant in Zululand and could not make the waiter understand. As quick as a flash he had on the canvas a picture of a boiling bowl of soup and then for fear the waiter might bring him rice soup he drew a picture of a turtle, and the other courses of the meal he likewise drew.

From the same outline he could draw almost any picture and making four similar outlines he converted the first into a beautiful pointer, the second into a hawk nosed woman, the third into a pretty girl and the fourth into a horrible specimen of man.

He made one beautiful picture that of a fine steamship wrecked on the beach. The sky above was natural and it took no imagination to see the water along the shore. This picture was made in less than a minute and there were many in the audience who would be satisfied with themselves if they could have drawn the same picture in a day. He drew a lesson from this and said that it not only represented a ship but also human life. There are shipwrecks on the sea of life as well as on the water.

The lecture closed with a northern Michigan scene. The speaker said that several years ago he was spending along on a train in the northern part of the state on Christmas eve. It was in the twilight and his mind was busy thinking of the loved ones at home separated from him at that happy time. The scenery in the gloaming was dismal and he drew a picture of what he saw. On a hillside, before a crayon in his hand, rose up a cottage. Behind was an icy old tree covered with snow. In front was a fallen tree coated with the white covering of winter. Upon the roof was snow. The windows were dark and the place looked deserted and the depression of the artist was only increased. Just before the train ran from by the scene there was a transformation. A light flashed from the window and there was a beam of cheer that fell upon the heart of the artist which lifted the gloom of his loneliness. As he mentioned the light of the window, with one stroke he made a gleaming window that blazed with light.

This was the third entertainment in the popular Methodist course.

After the lecture last evening a News reporter sought the artist in his dressing room. The noted artist had just washed his hands and was pulling on his great coat. The reporter stepped up and muttered something, but Mr. Beard shook his head. "I'm quite deaf, you know. Write it." The suggestion was followed.

"Mr. Beard, we have a number of young men in Benton Harbor who desire to become artists. Indeed, we think our atmosphere very beneficial to artists, having raised at least one good cartoonist, Rolly Bowman. What have you to say to our aspiring artists?"

"Tell them to work. A man may have no end of genius but he must study. Like a poet, an artist is born. The ability may be hidden at first but good hard study will bring it out. There's no room at the bottom. You can't impress that upon your young men too much. But there is plenty of room at the top. Study your profession as the young lawyer or doctor does. Observe closely. Persevere. I should advise a course of study at the Art Institute in Chicago. It's near, don't cost much. Go there, if you've any talent it'll show itself. If it doesn't within a reasonable time go home, take up another profession or go farming. Too many think themselves natural artists. They'll do better hoeing potatoes. But mind! I don't mean to discourage any bright, aspiring youth. Let him go ahead and persevere. But there's only starvation ahead for a poor artist. The only reason I can make my living is because in the old days I did fairly well. I live on past reputation. Bless you! the young ones completely overshadow me today. Look at Dana Gibson. He has run away from me. I would that your ambitious youths would make a model of Gibson. It wasn't so much talent as study that put him where he is. Some misinformed people think I can draw yet. I wish I could."

The great artist, who is greater in that he doesn't yet think of himself as great, paused and looked reminiscent. The newspaper man then propounded this question:

"Can you relate any of your early trials and successes that will aid the Benton Harbor boys?"

"No, I don't believe I can. Art has

changed so. We didn't have to draw so well then. I was always handy with my pencil and marked up everything that I could lay my hands on. In school I used to fill my books with illustrations of the text. These were very crude illustrations, but they gave my imagination practice. At home I continued the sport, for such it was to me, and left my trademark on many of the costly household books. I believe the old family Bible still has some of my earliest endeavors on its pages. Yes, I marked up everything and was considered by the folks almost as great a pest as an old family cat which was up to all sorts of catfish tricks. Yet here I received my training and my hand learned to move easily and gracefully. Tell this to your artists, if you wish. Fix it up to suit yourself. But don't forget to urge them to work to reach the very top of the ladder."

The artist, one of the kindest hearted lecturers who has ever appeared in this city, then turned to the lecture committee and drew his salary with as much ease as he had previously the pictures.

DIFFERENCES SETTLED.

Action Taken Which Insures an Early Opening of the Drainage Canal.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—By a vote of 6 to 3 the engineering committee of the Chicago drainage board approved the contract with the Illinois-Michigan canal commission, which settles existing disputes, and, it is believed, insures the opening of the new drainage channel at an early date. The sanitary board will pump 25,000 cubic feet of water a minute for four months to give lessees of water power along the old canal time to arrange for installation of steam plants. After that the drainage district agrees to maintain a depth of six feet of water in the old canal for the purpose of navigation.

Passed Away.

Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 21.—Rev. W. J. Robinson, D. D., pastor of the First United Presbyterian church, of Allegheny, and moderator of the United Presbyterian general assembly which met at Philadelphia last May, died Wednesday at Battle Creek, Mich., where he went three months ago. He attained much reputation as a leader in the movement having as its object the incorporation of express recognition of God and the Christian religion in the constitution of the United States.

Is Identified.

Racine, Wis., Dec. 21.—Henry F. Corbett, who was arrested on suspicion of having shot Rev. David B. Cheney and wife, two weeks ago, was taken before the Cheneys Wednesday afternoon and positively identified as the guilty man. Corbett was taken before Mr. and Mrs. Cheney separately, and both identified him immediately as the man who called at the house and did the shooting without any provocation. He will be held.

Will Open the Campaign.

Aberdeen, S. D., Dec. 21.—John P. Affeld, of Illinois, will open the fusion campaign for 1900 with a speech in this city January 12.

Mice as Food in China.

The first thing which strikes the traveler in China, upon his entrance into any of the many cities of the celestial empire, is the strings of dried mice which hang from the roofs of the houses suspended by their tails, just as sausages are hung in front of butcher shops in France. The Chinese hunt these mice with a long sharp-pointed knife, which they plunge into the animal's throats. Then the mice are suspended by the tails until the blood has dripped out, when they are skinned, drawn and smoked. Another favorite dish with the Chinese is dogs' feet. The feet of black dogs are considered more of a delicacy than those of any other color, and white dogs are rejected as being tasteless. Dogs' fat, prepared in a special manner, is looked upon as a repast fit for a king. —N. Y. Herald.

How We Use Up the Forests.

A cord of spruce wood is equal to 615 feet board measure, and this quantity of raw material will make half a ton of sulphite pulp, or one ton of ground wood pulp. Newspaper stock is made up with two per cent. of sulphite pulp and 80 per cent. of ground wood pulp. The best known spruce land, virgin growth, possesses a stand of about 7,000 feet to the acre. Twenty-two acres of this best spruce land will therefore contain 154,000 feet of timber. An average gain of loggers will cut this in about eight days. This entire quantity of wood turned in at any one of the large mills will be converted in a single day into about 250 tons of such pulp as goes to make up newspaper stock. This pulp will make about an equal weight of paper, which will supply a single large metropolitan newspaper just two days. —Boston Transcript.

CALL IS ISSUED.

National Republican Executive Committee Asks for Election of Delegates to the Convention.

Washington, Dec. 21.—The following call for the next republican national convention was issued Wednesday night.

"Headquarters Republican National Committee, Washington, D. C.—To the Republican Electors of the United States: In accordance with established custom and in obedience to instructions of the national convention of 1896, the national republican committee directs that a national convention of delegated representatives of the republican party be held at the city of Philadelphia, in the state of Pennsylvania, for the purpose of nominating candidates for president and vice president, to be voted for at the presidential election, Tuesday, November 6, 1900, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it, and that said convention shall assemble at 12 o'clock, noon, on Tuesday, the 19th day of June, 1900.

"The republican electors of the several states, the District of Columbia and the territories, and all other electors, without regard to past political affiliations, who believe in the principles of the republican party and endorse its policies, are cordially invited to unite under this call in the selection of candidates for president and vice president.

"Said national convention shall consist of a number of delegates at large from each state, equal to double the number of United States senators to which each state is entitled, and for each representative at large in congress two delegates at large; from each congressional district and the District of Columbia, two delegates; from each of the territories of Alaska, Arizona, Indian territory, New Mexico and Oklahoma, two delegates. For each delegate elected to said convention, an alternate delegate shall be elected to act in case of the absence of the delegate, said alternate delegate to be elected at the time and in the manner of electing the delegate."

The call proceeds to designate the manner in which the delegates shall be elected. It recommends that the territories of Arizona, Indian Territory, New Mexico and Oklahoma each elect six delegates and six alternate delegates, and that Alaska elect four delegates and four alternate delegates, and the admission of such additional delegates to the convention is also recommended.

The call is signed by M. A. Hanna, chairman, and Charles Dick, secretary.

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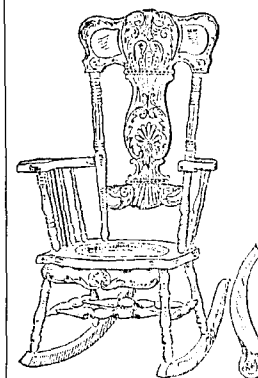
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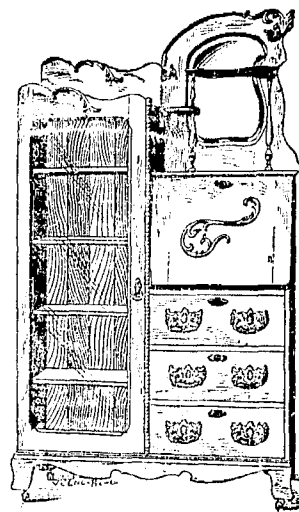
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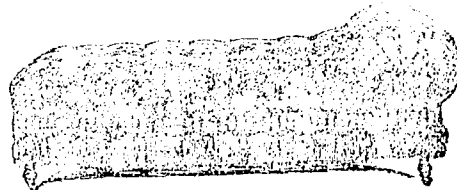
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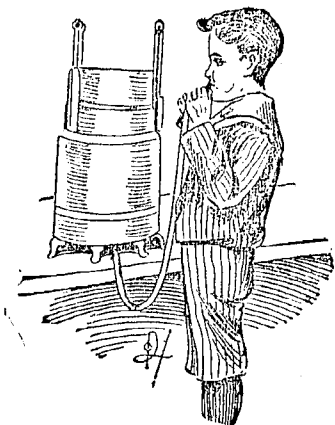
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ON OCCASION keenly enjoyed was a recent visit to the "lunch room" at the top of the Lake View high school building, where tests of the physical condition of the pupils are being made by Fred W. Smedley, C. Victor Campbell and their assistants. The experience of these two gentlemen has rendered them, probably better than any others in the country, capable of conducting, on a large scale, the work of child study. Similar investigations have for a long time been carried on in different

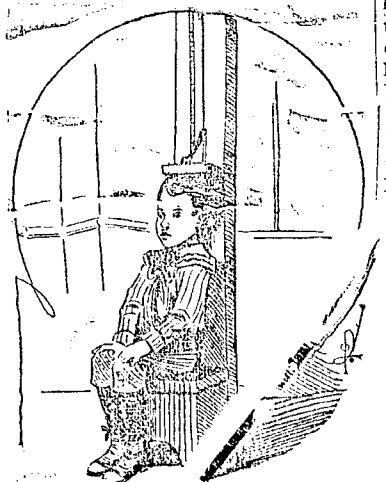


USING THE SPIROMETER.

places, but never before systematically under direction of a city school board as a regular part of the educational work. The establishment of anthropometry as a part of the school system is due to the efforts of a member of the board of education, Dr. W. S. Christopher, who is a specialist in children's diseases. The tests are not for a moment to be considered as a medical examination, although when any marked symptoms of disease are found in a child the parents are advised to consult their family physician.

The lungs are tested by a spirometer, no child being allowed to place in his mouth the glass tube used by his predecessor. As soon as a tube is removed and a fresh one substituted. The larger the lung capacity the greater the ability to endure sustained mental effort. The eyes are examined by methods closely resembling those employed by ordinary opticians. In one instance Mr. Smedley called attention to a slight puffiness under the eyes of a little girl otherwise very healthy. This, he said, was caused by a relaxed eye muscle and often induced severe headaches. These eyes were in a very suspicious condition and demanded the care of a first-class oculist. Another child presented a marked case of myopia, but while the general health continued robust this would cause no great trouble. She was told to ask her teacher for a front seat in school.

An audiometer, a new instrument, the first of its kind ever manufactured, tests the hearing. It is operated by a small battery connected by a rubber tube to an ear-piece. When the latter is placed against the ear a slight click may be heard. The clicks vary in intensity in a graduated scale, and at the point where there is no perceptible sound the capacity for hearing ceases. A child may have been considered stupid when his only trouble lay in his inability to hear or distinguish sounds. A card is made for each child, on which is registered his name, grade, birthday, birthplace of self and parents, school standing and all the results of the tests made. Observations are made of which a child



TAKING A MEASUREMENT.

is wholly unconscious. When told to extend his arms, he does not know that the position in which the hands are held indicate temperament and general nervous condition. Slight cases of chorea or St. Vitus dance are often first apparent in a slight twitching of the fingers when the arms are held outstretched. The size and shape of the head, the formation of the features, their movements and those of other portions of the body are noted. The strength of grip in each hand is measured by a manometer. The height, sitting and standing, is obtained by the celebrated Bertillon method.

But perhaps the most interesting of all the tests is that made by means of the ergograph. This apparatus consists of a fixing-board on which the arm and hand are so held that motion is confined to the middle finger of the right hand, and a tracing machine, which guides a pen over a revolving drum, thus indicating movement of the

weight which is seven per cent. of the child's weight. A tape line carried forward with each pull of the finger registers the distance the weight has been lifted, thus assisting in determining amount of work done.

An ergogram, or tracing, is as characteristic of each person as his handwriting. Want of muscular control is shown by irregularity in height of the lifts and uneven spacing. The movement of the finger is timed to the beating of a metronome. The weight is supposed to be lifted once in every two seconds for a minute and a half. Only some of the weakest were unable to lift it a short distance until the expiration of the time, and but few were in such excellent condition that their ergograms showed no falling off before the expiration of 90 seconds.

At first one pulls evenly and strongly, and it seems that the effort may be sustained indefinitely, but gradually the distance decreases until it becomes literally impossible to "lift a finger." This is, of course, a test of muscular fatigue, but is regarded as more important as indicating fatigue of the nerve centers. After the muscles have moved as long as possible they may be made to continue the same motions without volition by electrical stimulation until the nerves are rested, when the person can move the finger and register as good results as before. All this time the muscles have been in motion, although while electricity was applied the motor nerves were inactive. For some time this work was carried on in the Alcott school. This was selected, as the children are well clothed and fed, and of American families, in comfortable circumstances. Averages obtained there would greatly help in securing data by means of which to judge normal American children. Of course in localities where a foreign element predominates allowance must be made for differences in national characteristics, height, weight and many other things. Comparisons between tests made of students at the Alcott school and those of one of the ungraded rooms of one of the city schools are very interesting. In the latter were 20 pupils, all backward mentally and in most instances regarded as vicious. Many were found to be suffering from mal-nutrition. Semi-starvation is not conducive to good mental work. Several were short in lung capacity. Sixty per cent. reached the subnormal point in hearing, while this was true of only 24 per cent. in the Alcott school. Two had very small heads. Some had badly formed ears and other



TESTING THE HEARING.

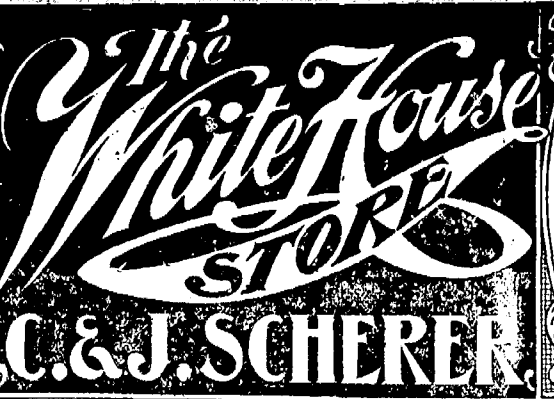
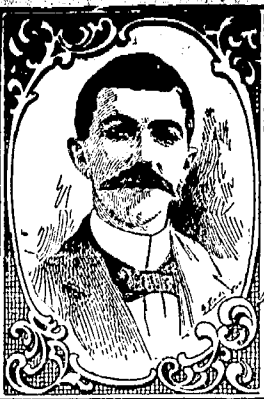
features; others were one-sided; all showed some strongly-marked physical defects to accompany the small mental development.

One of the results of investigations thus far made is knowledge that endurance in girls does not increase in the same proportion with age as in boys. There is a distinct relationship in children between physical condition and intellectual capacity, the latter varying directly as the former. The tallest and heaviest pupils average highest in their studies, although there are many exceptions to this rule. The tests show that a child's vital force varies greatly throughout the day. At ten in the morning it is strong, at eleven it has decreased and at noon it is low. After lunch it comes up again, is good at two and low at three. While the highest degree of endurance is much higher in the highest school grades than the lowest, some of those highest in the lowest, some of those lowest in the highest are nearly as good as the lowest in the lowest grades. Mr. Smedley believes that in physical exercises some of the grades should be made into at least three divisions where mentally they do the same work.

Physical exercises required by the stronger pupils might nearly kill the weaker ones, while good exercise for the latter would scarcely benefit the former. These investigations must proceed slowly and along somewhat narrow lines at first. Here is an almost unexplored field and those conducting the work must make their own data as they proceed. When the people at large come to an understanding of what is being accomplished great sympathy and help will be given to the movement. The results obtained in the Chicago public schools will prove invaluable to educational institutions all over the country, and it would seem a natural consequence that before long men skilled in this work will be employed in every county, passing from school to school making tests, which will not only indicate a course of training for individual pupils but furnish data for further work along the same lines.

Stole a Queen's Chatter.

An extraordinary case of theft is reported from The Hague, the victim being no less a personage than Queen Wilhelmina herself. The culprit appears to be the person to whom the safe custody of the young queen's valuables was intrusted. The stolen articles consist of valuable gold and silver toilet pieces, and seem to have been abstracted from her majesty's dressing-room. Their disappearance was the cause of inquiries being made, and when the bulk of them were discovered in the possession of a silversmith he stated that he had bought them from the official in question, who has now absconded.



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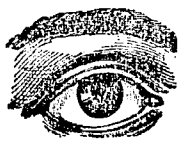
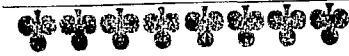
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Forces at All Points.
BULLER IS TRYING TO JOIN WHITE.
Absence of News from Lord Methuen
Causes Fears That His Position is
Dangerous—Buller Said to Have
Recovered Guns.
London, Dec. 21.—The latest dis-
patches received seem to show that the
British forces are standing on the de-
fensive at all points. Gen. Buller is or-
dering the troops now arriving at Cape
Town to proceed to Durban to reinforce
the Natal column. Absence of news
from him has led to a surmise that he is
trying to join Gen. White by a flank
movement.
Fears for Methuen.
The gravity of the military situation
is again becoming accentuated in the
public mind, owing to the complete ab-
sence of news. Nothing has been heard
from Lord Methuen since Sunday, and
it is feared that his communications
have been cut. If this be so, his position
is dangerous.
Volunteers Offer Their Services.
The appeals for yeomanry and vol-
unteers are being responded to with
the greatest enthusiasm in all parts
of the country. Lord Wolseley pro-
poses that the force being raised by
the lord mayor of London be called the
"City of London Imperial Volun-
teers." The government expects the
total of yeomanry and volunteers to
reach 8,000. Baron Chesham will com-
mand, with Lord Lansdale as adjutant
general.
Long Dispatch from Buller.
London, Dec. 21.—The war office re-

ceived a 4,000-word code message from
Buller at one a. m. The contents are
not made public.
Will Be Moderate.
London, Dec. 21.—The Madrid cor-
respondent of the Standard says: The
Boer government has recently intimat-
ed to their agents in Europe their
readiness to be moderate in regard
to peace conditions.
Buller Recovers Guns.
London, Dec. 21.—A special dispatch
from Durban, Natal, dated Saturday,
December 16, says it is rumored Gen.
Buller called for volunteers to recover
the abandoned guns and that a party
issued from the camp after midnight
and brought in the guns, which were
uninjured.
According to the Chronicle's corre-
spondent, the British mounted infan-
try and irregular corps, with two bat-
teries of artillery, managed to take the
Colenso road bridge and eventually
crossed the river, but the Boer rifle fire
prevented them from pushing on, and
the battery was abandoned. Seemingly
the guns were lost on the north side
of the Tugela, and if so there is little
doubt that they were captured.
Buller Falls Back.
Chieveley Camp, Dec. 17 (delayed in
transmission).—A tacit truce between
the British and Boer forces existed
Saturday for the collection of the
wounded and dead on the battlefield
about Colenso. The British lost in
Friday's action 140 killed, 634 wound-
ed, and 311 missing or prisoners. The
Boers admit that they suffered con-
siderable loss during Friday's battle.
Gen. Buller's army moved back five
miles Sunday, the march beginning
at one o'clock in the morning, two
brigades going to Frere, in order to
defeat a possible attempt on the part
of the Boers to execute a flank move-
ment to destroy the railroad in the
British rear.
Death of a Noted Musician.
New York, Dec. 21.—Cable advices
received here announce the death in Dub-
lin on Tuesday of Prof. J. W. Glover,
the eminent musician, aged 88 years.
He gained world-wide prominence for
the dedication of "Moore's Melodies," which
he harmonized and edited. Among his
numerous compositions were an ora-
torio, "St. Patrick at Tara;" "The De-
serted Village," an opera founded on
Oliver Goldsmith's poem, and an ode to
Parnell. He was for many years or-
ganist of the cathedral in Dublin.
Destroyed by Fire.
Marshalltown, Ia., Dec. 21.—The Bos-
ton store, dry goods and notions, owned
by R. C. Peterson & Co., was totally de-
stroyed by fire. Loss, \$22,000; insur-
ance, \$12,000.
Named for Governor.
Baton Rouge, La., Dec. 21.—The dem-
ocratic state convention, which began
here Wednesday, nominated W. W.
Heard for governor after an exciting
session.



BRITISH DISPATCH RIDER MAKING A DASH FOR KIMBERLEY.
concerning a great variety of ques-
tions of more or less public import,
but for the first time in many years
no proposition was made or action
taken even remotely connected with
the money question or other pending
political issue. Among the closing
items of business transacted were
the adoption of resolutions appealing
to congress to submit to state legis-
latures a sixteenth constitutional
amendment to prohibit disfranchise-
ment of citizens on account of their
sex, and directing President Gompers
to correspond with the trades unions
of the continental European countries
with a view of bringing about frat-
ernal relations. One of the closing
acts was a declaration against keep-
ing open stores on Sunday.
ACTS WITH ENERGY.
Gov. Pingree Asks Legislature to Au-
thorize Recovering of Money
Lost by Military Board.
Lansing, Mich., Dec. 21. Gov. Pin-
gree sent a special message to the
house Wednesday, asking for passage
of a joint resolution that would au-
thorize Attorney General Owen to in-
stitute proceedings toward recovering
the money claimed to have been lost
by the state through the military
board's alleged transaction with the
Henderson-Ames company, of Kala-
mazoo.
The house also passed the Pingree
joint resolution, submitting to the
people a constitutional amendment to
perpetuate taxation of all forms
of property. The vote was 86 to 8.
Notice for reconsideration of the Pin-
gree joint resolution was made, but
was later withdrawn, and the question
of submitting the constitutional amend-
ment is now pending in the senate.
It has been referred to a special sen-
ate committee with instructions to re-
port it out next Wednesday night, to
which time the legislature will to-day
adjourn.
Will Not Resign.
Lansing, Mich., Dec. 21. It is claimed
that Inspector General Case, whose re-
signation as a member of the state mili-
tary board, was asked for by Gov. Pin-
gree, will refuse to resign, as he claims
to be innocent of any crime. Gen.
Case was not present at the session of
the board at which the alleged crooked
deal was made, and is only connected
with it because of having signed the
proceedings later.
Quartermaster General W. L. White,
Inspector General A. F. Marsh and Sam-
uel N. Bickerstaff, member of the board
of trustees of Kalamazoo asylum, have
handed in their resignations.
Car Shops Burned.
Dubuque, Ia., Dec. 21.—The car shop
of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul
road, the largest in the plant here, was
completely destroyed by fire after mid-
night. The loss will be \$100,000, and 300
men are thrown out of employment.

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Federation of Labor by Unani-
mous Vote.
Detroit, Mich., Dec. 21.—The Amer-
ican Federation of Labor Wednesday
unanimously reelected all its old offi-
cers. The only contests occurred in
selections of fraternal delegates to the
foreign trades congresses. President
Gompers was reelected.
The convention made formal re-
quests that all trade unions hereafter

more clearly define the work of their
respective crafts. Action was taken
warning building trades councils not
to overstep their legitimate functions
by assuming general jurisdiction of
trades unions, or issuing charters for
organizations of national trades un-
ions.
Louisville, Ky., was selected as place
of next convention. The other candi-
dates were Cleveland, Columbus, Scrant-
on, Pa.; Salt Lake City, Galveston and
Bay City, Mich.
The longest convention of the Amer-
ican Federation of Labor ever held
ended Wednesday afternoon. During
the nine days the delegates were in
session declarations were adopted



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Toothpick Holders	Chamber Sets
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Chocolate Pots	Ash Trays
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SHORT SPECIALS.

It is rumored in Paris that the Bank of Russia has advanced the Bank of England \$8,000,000.
Since the opening of the session 5,015 bills have been introduced in the house; 2,000 in the senate.
Deroulede has been sentenced to two years' imprisonment for insults to the French government.
Nestor Ponce de Leon, a lineal descendant of Ponce de Leon, discoverer of Florida, died at Havana on Monday, aged 63 years.
Congressman Crumpacker (Ind.) has introduced a resolution to reduce the representation of states that disfranchise negroes.
The Alhambra, the famous convention hall of Syracuse, N. Y., was destroyed by fire early Wednesday. The loss amounts to \$50,000.
The best information obtainable in Wall Street is to the effect that at least \$5,000,000 in gold will be sent abroad on Saturday's steamers.
Wednesday the Franco-American treaty was sent to the French chamber of deputies. A bill making the treaty operative was also presented to the chamber.
Elections committee No. 1 of the house held its first meeting Wednesday and arranged to begin the consideration of contested election cases soon after the holidays.
The Beloit and Kenosha militia companies were dropped from the Wisconsin state militia Wednesday for lack of discipline and interest. The vacancies will be filled at once.
Immigration continues to be unusually heavy for this time of year. For the month of November 26,469 immigrants came to New York, as compared with 18,196 during the same month last year.
Mary Barrett, nine years old, who was terribly burned in the Harlem tenement fire, New York, is dead. This completes the extinction of the family, her father, mother and sister having been burned to death in the fire.
The main building of Buchtel college, at Akron, O., including all the laboratories, library, men's and women's dormitories, was burned to the ground Wednesday night. The loss is fully \$100,000, with \$55,000 insurance.
Admiral Von Diederichs has been appointed chief of the naval general staff. Vice Admiral Bendemann has been appointed to command the cruiser squadron, in succession to Prince Henry of Prussia, who is coming home.
The University of Pennsylvania's free museum of science and art, one of the late Dr. William Pepper's cherished hopes, was formally opened at Philadelphia Wednesday in the presence of several thousand interested people.
The death is announced at Nashua, N. H., of A. W. Fleming, the oldest traveling man in Iowa, if not in the United States. He was 88 years of age and was a member of the Dubuque Traveling and Business Men's association.
Capt. Louis Schneebarger, cashier at the Baltimore (Md.) post office, committed suicide Wednesday morning by shooting himself in the head at his home on Fremont avenue. Unfortunate speculations are said to have caused the suicide.
The senate committee on foreign relations Wednesday authorized a favorable report upon the two treaties negotiated with Great Britain and Germany for the dissolution of the tripartite agreement for the control of the Samoan islands.
Upward of 2,500 seamstresses have been thrown out of employment by the closing of most of the departments at the Schuylkill arsenal, Philadelphia. The order went into effect this week, and the tent making department is the only one working.
President H. C. Simons, of the Fargo (N. D.) college, while standing in a book store suddenly fell to the floor. Death was instantaneous, and is supposed to have been due to heart failure. The deceased had been a prominent figure in Congressional work in the northwest.
Rev. Dr. P. D. Newhouse, presiding elder of the Mankato (Minn.) district, M. E. church, died of pleuro-pneumonia Tuesday night, aged 42. He was a graduate of De Paul university and had been a missionary in Chili and India. The interment will be at Williamsport, Ind.
The state of North Carolina has chartered the Appalachian National Park association, with headquarters at Asheville. It is for the promotion and maintenance by the United States of a national park and forest preserve in and among the southern Appalachian mountains.
Maj. Gen. Leonard Wood, the new governor general of Cuba, arrived in Havana at daybreak Wednesday. From Cuba's fortress a major general's salute of 13 guns was fired, and the Cubans from the pinnacles fired a governor general's salute of 21 guns by the explosion of petards.
The president has granted a full pardon to James H. Bacon, who was convicted in 1896 and sentenced to imprisonment for seven years in the Utah penitentiary for making a false report to the controller of the currency of the condition of the national bank of Salt Lake, Utah, of which he was president.

SUPPER OF A TARTAR.

BY DAVID KER.

"DAVEED STEPANOVITCH" (David, son of Stephen), said my Tartar servant, fixing his keen black eye on my face, "are you hungry?"
"I should be if I had anything to eat," replied I; "but it's not much use being hungry when there's no food in sight."
Honest Murad grinned approval of a sentiment which so exactly met his own views, and leaned back in the corner of the clumsy native cart in which we were lying, with a look of stolid resignation on his broad, flat, narrow-eyed face.
Certainly our case was not a hopeful one. For three days we had been crawling over the dreariest wilderness of central Asia, under almost incessant rain, with a team of horses which any able-bodied hedgerow might outrun with ease. To crown all, our provisions had given out, and we seemed likely to fare worse than the three unfortunate mariners in the English ballad, when,
"Before they'd sailed thrice round th' equator,
They'd nothing left but one split pea."
The sun was beginning to sink over the desert, which looked vaster and drearier than ever under the fast-falling shadows of night; and the raw, damp chilliness which the approach of evening always brings with it during the summer months on the steppes of central Asia began to strike through our wet clothes and stiffened limbs in a very unsatisfactory way.

Murad, who was a thorough Asiatic in his love of warmth, burrowed deeper into the hay that filled the cart, and tried to console himself by crooning, half aloud, an old Tartar war song, celebrating the ancient victories of his countrymen in Russia:
"The sun was hid by the dust that rose
From the trampling of horse and man;
When they heard the tramp of our Tartar host,
Ha, how the Russians ran!
They ran, they ran, they ran, they ran,
They ran," etc.

So much comfort does my worthy retainer seem to derive from the fact of his hereditary enemies having run away once upon a time, that he keeps on his "they ran" until I begin to wish that he would run too.

But all at once he checks his song, and his thin, dark face lights up as he points one skinny, brown finger at a shadowy object which is now visible a little way ahead.
"See, master, see! A Tartar tent! Now we'll get as much food as we want."

Good news, indeed, after a 24-hours' fast, and with many miles of desert still before us. Even our horses seemed to feel its influence, and mended their pace surprisingly all of a sudden, bringing us in a few minutes up to the tent, which was one of those queer little bee-hives of gray felt that are very often the only sign of human life upon the boundless plains of central Asia.

"Amann us?" (Is it peace?) cried my companion, addressing an old Tartar, who was sitting in the door of the tent, motionless as a bronze statue, just as Abraham sat at the door of his tent upon the plain of Mamre, 4,000 years ago.
"Insh! Allah amann us!" (If it please God, it is peace), answered the man of the desert, rising to receive us.

While these salutations were passing, I had noticed a large iron pot, which, hanging over a fire that was burning beside the tent, sent forth a most savory steam.
I might have been longer at guessing its contents, but for the appearance of a huge bare bone, sticking out of the pot like a flag pole, which I knew at once for the shank-bone of a camel!

This was no very promising sign-board, for I knew that the Tartars of central Asia value their camels too highly to kill them for food except in the last extremity, and that the animal which supplied this gipsy supper had probably died of disease or old age.

But one ceases to be particular after having nothing down one's throat for 24 hours together, except flies and sand; and the hungry gutter in Murad's small, rat-like eyes showed that he, at least, was not inclined to trouble himself about the quality of the meat, if only the quantity were sufficient.

Meanwhile our host, who had been busy inside the tent with his preparations for our supper, lifted the heavy flap of felt that did duty for a door, and invited us in with the customary salutation:
"Brothers, all that I have is yours."

Had it been so, however, we should have been but little richer, for all that our new friend has does not amount to much. Two or three dirty sheepskins by way of carpet, a clumsy saddle in one corner, a saucer and long gun in another, two or three of the painted wooden bowls common in Tartary, and another iron pot of smaller size, complete the furniture of the "interior."

Our entertainer served me with a bowl of fresh milk, deliciously cool and refreshing to my parched lips, accompanied by an enormous wooden spoon, which he pulled out of his pocket and carefully licked clean before presenting it.

For himself and Murad he made ready a huge bowl of tea, with lumps of mutton fat in it by way of milk, and salt instead of sugar. A lump of boiled camel and a few thin wheaten cakes made up the bill of fare.

The bread was very good, but it needed all my efforts to make an impression upon the bluish-brown mass of flesh. To all appearance, I might as well have tried to bite a piece out of the Atlantic cable; and it seemed quite a chance whether the meat or my teeth should give way first.

While tugging at this dainty morsel, I had leisure to observe my host, who was sitting cross-legged beside me. He was a genuine Tartar, with a round bullet head, sallow, greenish complexion, narrow, deep-set eyes, and a figure whose short, square build and disproportionately long arms gave him quite the look of a monkey, a resemblance considerably increased by his shaggy brown cloak and high cap of black sheepskin.

Our friend's wife is nowhere to be seen, being probably concealed, according to Mohammedan custom, behind a partition of the tent. But suddenly a kind of bundle in one corner unrolls itself, disclosing the round face and bright black eyes of a little girl about two years old.

I take her up in my lap, and she runs her tiny fingers through my beard, while the old chief looks on admiringly.
All at once I notice a round yellow spot on her forehead, which proves to be a small brass coin, a very common female ornament in Tartary.

I try to detach it, but find to my surprise, that it is actually imbedded in the skin; and her father chuckles slyly at my discomfiture.
But now Murad comes in to say that the horses are rested and ready to start; so we take a cordial leave of our entertainer, and away we go into the darkness once more.—
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St. Joseph	10:30	2:20	7:50
Chicago, ar.	1:30	5:00	10:45
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GOING NORTH.			
Stations.	a.m.	noon	p.m.
Chicago Lv.	7:15	12:00	5:00
St. Joseph	10:10	2:45	7:50
Benton Harbor	10:20	2:52	7:58
Grand Rapids, ar.	1:25	5:05	10:55
Traverse City ar.	9:10		12:40
Charlevoix ar.	11:25		3:10
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Open Evenings
all of this week

HIPP, ENDERS & AVERY

Open Evenings
all of this week

During this week our store will be headquarters for Christmas gifts for the male sex. We have made extra preparation in all lines and feel confident that an inspection will satisfy the most fastidious.

"VES-TWO"

An original and unique idea in fancy silk and worsted vests...

One side is the outside,
And so is the other side.
When one side is inside,
It don't matter which side,
You wear in the outside,
For both sides are inside,
And both sides are outside.
Either side is the right side,
And both are "out of sight" sides.

PRICE \$4 AND \$5..

A handsome present for dressy men

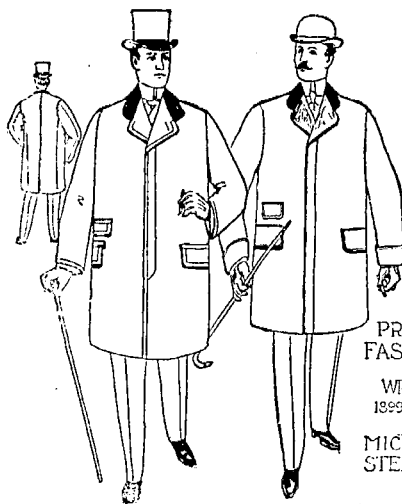


Children's
Reefers,
Suits
and
Extra
Knee Pants
A complete
assortment...

WE CONTINUE OUR

Special Overcoat Sale

Not a question of profit making but a matter of moving the goods.



PROPER
FASHIONS
WINTER
1899 - 1900
MICHAELS,
STERN'S CO.

All short lots of \$7.50 coats at **\$5.62**
All short lots of \$10 coats at **\$7.50**
All short lots of \$12.50 coats at **\$10.00**
Also one lot STORM KING ULSTERS, good value at \$8 50, our price **\$6.50**

A general reduction of 10 per cent will be made on all other medium and high grade coats. When you consider that we have no fictitious prices, that reductions are from actual values, you will be convinced that the above cut prices mean something

PRACTICAL AND USEFUL Christmas Gifts

SILK UMBRELLAS

With Sterling Silver and gold trimmed handles,

PRICE \$3.00 TO \$5.00

**ELEGANT
TRAVELING BAGS
AND SUIT CASES**

In genuine Alligator and Sole Leather.

PRICE \$5.00 TO \$12.00

FINE NECKWEAR

The latest creations in artistic Neckwear,

PRICE 50 CENTS

**FULL DRESS AND
FANCY SHIRTS**

PRICE \$1.00 TO \$1.50

OXFORD MUFFLERS

Strictly up-to-date

PRICE \$1.00 TO \$1.50

**SILK AND SATIN
SUSPENDERS**

Kid Gloves and Mittens, dressed and undressed, silk and wool lined; plain and fancy Hosiery.

A box containing one-half doz of Shaw-knit hose will make a present any man will appreciate. Colors, royal purple, cardinal, blacks, tans, navy blue and cadet blue,

PRICE \$1.50 A BOX

HIPP, ENDERS & AVERY

EXCLUSIVE OUTFITTERS FOR MEN-FOLK

THE DEAD GENERAL.

Remains of Gen. Lawton Are Taken to Manila.

WILL SOON BE BROUGHT TO AMERICA.

Universal Sorrow in the Philippine City—Bills Are Introduced in Congress to Pension His Widow.

Manila, Dec. 21.—Maj. Gen. Lawton's body was brought from San Mateo to Manila Wednesday afternoon, his staff and a squadron of cavalry acting as escort. It was found necessary to bridge the river. The funeral will take place from his late residence here, a mansion formerly occupied by a Spanish general. The body has been temporarily in a vault in El Pao cemetery, where many of the American soldiers have been interred, and a guard of honor will be maintained. When Mrs. Lawton and her four children shall have completed their arrangements for returning to the United States, the remains will be taken on a transport with an escort of officers for final interment, as is thought probable here, in Arlington cemetery.

Causes Great Sorrow.

Gen. Lawton's death has caused universal sorrow in Manila. No American officer had greater popularity among all ranks, and in his dealings with the natives he commanded their respect and confidence to a remarkable degree. The mayors whom he installed in the neighboring towns are arranging to attend the funeral in a body.

Thirteen Americans Wounded.

Thirteen Americans, including three officers, were wounded in the engagement at San Mateo, where Gen. Lawton was killed. Capt. Breckenridge's wound is not considered dangerous, although the bullet penetrated his arm and side.

It is estimated that the insurgents numbered 500 and that half of them were armed with rifles. The Americans numbered 1,300, but the command had been much depleted by sickness. The wagon train found the roads impassable and was obliged to return. The insurgents retreated to the northeast, leaving six dead. They have other forces near Taytay. This region, although close to Manila, has proved the most difficult from which to dislodge the enemy. It is now reported that the insurgents intend to concentrate at Santa Cruz, Laguna province, and in the district east of Laguna de Bay.

The American secret service reports that Aguinaldo has joined the Marikina force.

Pension for the Widow.

Washington, Dec. 21.—Senator Fair-

banks Wednesday introduced a bill granting a pension of \$2,000 a year to the widow of Gen. Lawton.

Representative Landis, of Indiana, introduced a similar bill in the house. Mr. Landis represents the district from which Lawton's first regiment was recruited.

Tribute to Lawton.

Washington, Dec. 21.—A general order was issued from the war department Wednesday announcing the death of Gen. Lawton to the army, officially, and paying a proper tribute to his worth. It is the intention of the officials to have the remains brought to the United States for final interment, but it is not known when this can be done.

Senator Fairbanks saw the president Wednesday in regard to the return of Gen. Lawton's body to the United States. The senator suggested that the funeral ceremonies be given something of a national character.

To Lift a Mortgage.

Gen. Lawton died a poor man, although but few beyond his circle of immediate friends knew of the small pecuniary return that had come to him from his life work in behalf of his country. Therefore some of these friends have thought proper now to come to the aid of his family, as is shown by the following statement addressed to the American people issued Wednesday:

"Washington, D. C., Dec. 20, 1899: Maj. Gen. Henry W. Lawton, United States volunteer, whose death occurred at San Mateo, Island of Luzon, on December 19, 1899, has left little but his good name as a legacy to his wife and children. A piece of property purchased by him as a home in California has a mortgage of half the purchase price still outstanding and unliquidated. The undersigned have voluntarily associated themselves together for the purpose of raising funds to pay off the indebtedness. Contributions will be thankfully received by them, and be devoted to the object hereinabove set forth.

"The aid of the newspapers of the country is requested. Contributions will be received by any one of the following:

"H. C. Corbin, Adjutant General, Washington, D. C.

"John F. Weston, Acting Commissary General, Washington, D. C.

"William Ludlow, Brigadier General, Havana, Cuba.

"William R. Shafter, Major General, San Francisco, Cal.

The President's Tribute.

Washington, Dec. 21.—The president sent the following cablegram to Gen. Otis:

"Executive Mansion, Dec. 20, 1899.—Maj. Gen. Otis, Manila: I have learned, with inexpressible sorrow, of the death of Maj. Gen. Lawton, and ask to share with the officers and men of the Eighth corps in their grief. One of the most gallant officers of the army has fallen. At the time the sad news came to us his nomination as brigadier general of the regular army was already made for transmission to the senate, but no rank can enhance his fame. He rose from the ranks of the Ninth Indiana volunteer infantry, filling every grade in the service to that of major general of volunteers, and in three wars was conspicuous for bravery and devotion to duty. The country mourns for the death of this intrepid leader. Convey to Mrs. Lawton my heartfelt sympathy in her overshadowing affliction. WILLIAM McKINLEY."

A Baltimore cashier who lost \$100,000 in a stock speculation shot himself through the head.

Paid Dear For His Leg

B. D. Blanton, of Thackerville, Tex., in two years paid over \$300.00 to doctors to cure a Running Sore on his leg. Then they wanted to cut it off, but he cured it with one box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Guaranteed cure for Piles. 25 cts. a box. Sold by Lowe & Witherspoon, druggists.

"One Minute Cough Cure is the best remedy I ever used for coughs and colds. It is unequalled for whooping cough. Children all like it," writes H. N. Williams, Gentryville, Ind. Never fails. It is the only harmless remedy that gives immediate results. Cures coughs, colds, hoarseness, croup, pneumonia, bronchitis and all throat and lung troubles. Its early use prevents consumption. Geo. M. Bell & Co.

Open 365 Days Annually.

Rouse ice cream company open for business all winter, supplying fancy and plain ice creams for weddings, lodges, banquets, receptions, socials and family use. Plain brick, Neapolitan, Harlequin, Glaces, Mousses, Bombes, Frappes, Sarbets, punches, puddings, water ices, fruit creams, individuals, etc. Our creams are superior to city made goods. 'Phones: Bell, 328; Twin City, 271. Office hours 9 to 12 a. m., 1:30 to 4:30 p. m. Factory Water street, corner Park and Sixth. 62126

DeWitt's Little Early Risers purify the blood, clean the liver, invigorate the system. Famous little pills for constipation and liver troubles. Geo. M. Bell & Co.

Notice to Settle.

Having sold my grocery store I request all persons owing me to call and settle the same. Will be at the old store every day and evening to receive accounts. 6166 CHARLES ANTIS.

Mrs. R. Churchill, Berlin, Vt., says: "Our baby was covered with running sores. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cured her." A specific for piles and skin diseases. Beware of worthless counterfeits. Geo. M. Bell & Co.

It takes but a minute to overcome tickling in the throat and to stop a cough by the use of One Minute Cough Cure. This remedy quickly cures all forms of throat and lung troubles. Harmless and pleasant to take. It prevents consumption. A famous specific for gripe and its after effects. Geo. M. Bell & Co.

Cheer up, don't be discouraged. Your dollar will buy more gold, of William Haydon, the jeweler, than of any other jeweler in the city. He handles the best goods made and will beat any other prices you can get. Call and see his line, 114 Water street.

All trimmed hats go at one half off for this week only
6716 MISSIS DALRYMPLE

Mr. J. Sheer, Sedalia, Mo., saved his child's life by One Minute Cough Cure. Doctors had given her up to die with croup. It's an infallible cure for coughs, colds, gripe, pneumonia, bronchitis and throat and lung troubles. Relieves at once. Geo. M. Bell & Co.

DOES YOUR BOY NEED

BRITANNICA?

A well-known superintendent of schools has given it as his opinion that pupils who have access to the Encyclopedia Britannica stand 33 1/2 per cent. higher in their studies than those that do not enjoy this privilege.

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Is the formative period. What a boy reads in his youth becomes a part of his very character. To give your boy a chance means that you will see to it that he has the best surroundings, and your encouragement.

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Is what the Encyclopedia Britannica has been termed. Let your boy read its interesting pages and he will look with disdain upon "flashy" literature. Your boy has large ideas. To him there is nothing so attractive as truth. Give him material out of which he can construct far-reaching ideas. Invest

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Will prove expensive. Call at our store at once, or cut out this coupon and mail it to us.

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The Original. All Others Imitations.

Is sold under a positive Written Guarantee, by authorized agents only, to cure Weak Memory, Dizziness, Wakefulness, Fits, Hysteria, Quickness, Night Losses, Evil Dreams, Lack of Confidence, Nervousness, Lassitude, all Drains, Youthful Errors, or Excessive Use of Tobacco, Opium, or Liquor, which leads to Misery, Consumption, Insanity and Death. At store or by mail, \$1 a box; six for \$5; with Written Guarantee to Cure or Refund Money. Sample Package, containing five days' treatment, with full instructions, 25 cents. One sample only sold to each person. At store or by mail.

Red Label Special Extra Strength.

For Impotency, Loss of Power, Lost Manhood, Sterility or Barrenness. \$1 a box; six for \$5, with Written Guarantee to cure in 30 days. At store or by mail.

HOPKINS' DRUG STORE, Sole Agents,
BENTON HARBOR, MICH.

SOCIETY AND PERSONAL

Mrs. J. D. Puterbaugh of Coloma is in the city.

W. D. Downey went to Chicago last night on business.

John Robinson of Lawrence is the guest of relatives in the city.

Miss Alice Cummings is not able to be at the store on account of illness.

Miss Bessie Wells has returned from a short visit with friends in LaGrange.

Mrs. Fannie Scherer is moving to rooms in the third story of the Bowman block.

A. J. Wallace of Traverse City will arrive in the city Saturday to spend the holidays.

Mrs. J. S. Barker has returned from a six weeks visit with relatives in Grand Rapids.

Edward McCollough, of the firm of Crisp & McCollough, is confined to his home by illness.

Miss Maud Hilborn left on the Big Four this morning to spend Christmas with the Dales family, at Chesening.

She will visit in Detroit and other points before she returns.

Vonna FitzGerald, who has been on the road with the big minstrel company of Sweeney & Alvord, has returned to his home in this city on account of the failure of his voice.

His place has been held open for him for three weeks and if he is sufficiently recovered in that time he will join his company.

The L. O. T. M. elected the following officers at their meeting last night: Commander, Mrs. George Faler; lieutenant commander, Mrs. A. L. Wilcox; record keeper, Mrs. S. Christ; finance keeper, Mrs. C. Martin; chaplain, Mrs. Harvey; physician, Dr. Walker; surgeon, Dr. Hoyte; mistress at arms, Mrs. E. S. McCollough; sentinel, Mrs. Huggins; picket, Mrs. G. Mills; pianist, Helen Duffy.

Marriage Licenses.

Oscar J. Smith, 30, Benton Harbor; Jennie Hewett, 33, Coloma.

J. C. Schwendt, 23, St. Joseph; Etha B. Knapp, 21, same.

SPECIAL SATURDAY SALE

At Densmore's 5, 10 and 25 Cent Store.

Will sell twelve quart galvanized water pails for 15 cents. We suggest that you buy your Xmas presents of us and get a pail to pack them in.

A Keen Clear Brain

Your best feelings, your social position or business success depend largely on the perfect action of your Stomach and Liver. Dr. King's New Life Pills give increased strength, a keen, clear brain, high ambition. A 25 cent box will make you feel like a new being. Sold by Lowe & Witherspoon, druggists.

ST. JOSEPH.

The stockholders of the Western paper company, who have been fighting among themselves are finally getting around in shape to do business. The company built a big building in St. Joseph and were nearly ready for business when they disagreed and the proceedings stopped. At a meeting held recently the company was reorganized with the following officers: Nelson E. Funk, president; D. E. Brown, vice president; A. L. Church, treasurer; W. P. Sesser, secretary. Mr. Funk was made general manager.

Don't wait till Saturday afternoon and evening to do your Xmas shopping, as it will be almost impossible to get into our store on account of the crowd. Densmore's 5, 10 and 25 cent store.

GRAIN MARKET.

Following are the prices of grain and provisions on Chicago board of trade today furnished by E. W. Moore & Co., commission brokers:

Wheat—	Open's	High	Low	Close	Yest's
Dec.....	65½	66½	65½	66½	65½
May.....	69½	70	69½	69½	69½
Corn—	Open's	High	Low	Close	Yest's
Dec.....	30½	30½	30½	30½	30½
May.....	32½	33½	32½	33½	31½
Oats—	Open's	High	Low	Close	Yest's
Dec.....	No trade.				
May.....	23½	24	23½	24	23½

Pork closed today at \$9.95 bid; lard, \$5.45; spare ribs, \$5.27.

Bee Stole Back Pilfered Honey.

A curious incident of the bee world is reported from Hampshire, England. A cottager took two large bars of honey and a square section from one of his hives. This honey he put into a large pan and covered it with a cloth, placing it in an upstairs room of his cottage. During the day the bees got scent of the honey through the open window and the whole hive entered the room, crept under the cloth cover and took away all the honey in an incredibly short time and stored it in their hive again. The quantity was about ten pounds in weight.—N. Y. Sun.

Call on Ida Parks for fine fancy work for Christmas presents. 68th

Glass ware at Wallace Bros.

HOLIDAY EXCURSION RATES

Dec. 23, 24, 25, 30, 31, 1899,-- Jan. 1, 1900.

St. J., S. B. & S. R. R., will sell tickets at one and one-third fares for the round trip between all stations, also to numerous points on connecting lines, return limit, Jan. 2, 1900.

"I was nearly dead with dyspepsia, tried doctors, visited mineral springs, and grew worse. I used Kodal Dyspepsia Cure. That cured me." It digests what you eat. Cures indigestion, sour stomach, heartburn and all forms of dyspepsia. Geo. M. Bell & Co.

Michigan's favorite cigar, Columbian, 5c

Telephone 597.

120 Water St., Postoffice Bldg.

MICHIGAN TEA AND COFFEE COMPANY

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

The only Exclusive Coffee and Tea House between Chicago and Grand Rapids.

Do you drink any of the following teas:

Uncolored Japan
Old Fashioned Green Japan
Ceylon
Young Hyson
Gunpowder
Oolong
Basket Fired Japan
English Breakfast
Blended
Green and Black
Uncolored Japan
Tea Dust or Fannings

You should call for samples and prices. We have them from the best to common goods.

COFFEE prices begin at 6 cents a pound, and both quality and price advance together.

We fully guarantee every pound of goods we sell. Money back if they don't please. The best drinking tea and coffee at the best prices.

Reedeemable checks with your purchases, together with plump weight and prompt delivery, should attract you to this store.

W. D. DOWNEY

You'll have to Hurry!



If you want to cut in on our extensive line of Holiday Goods. We have everything that an up-to-date dry goods store should carry, and as we are here with the goods and our prices are right, why not look us over for

We Expect to be with you Next Christmas.



What is nicer than

A Dress Pattern Complete
A Silk or Satin Waist
A more common Wool one
A Pretty Petticoat
A Dressing Sacque
A New Umbrella
A Pair of Gloves

Table Linens
Collaretts and Storm Collars
Battenberg's
Muslin or Stock Ties
Sofa Cushions
Haandkerchiefs
Stamped Linens

What else could You want, any old piece in this list from one cent to \$25.00 we can suit You on Price. Come in during the week and see a GOOD STOCK.

Special No. 1. JACKETS and GOLF CAPES
For the rest of the year go at 25 per cent. off.

Special No. 2. TABLE LINENS, You all know the reputation of our Linens, we import them ourselves, during this week the same price will prevail as during our famous August sale.

James & James H. Pound.

Our Great Christmas Sale is now in Progress

With the best selected stock of sensible goods shown in Benton Harbor and we simply startle competition with the low prices.

Sterling Silver

We are showing beyond a doubt the largest assortment of sterling silver novelties in town and at about half the regular

retail price. Paper knives, pearl blade, sterling handle, set with jewels, 3 inches, long, 35c. Others up to 8 inches long. Any article in cut No. 22—curling iron, nail file, shoe spoon, cuticle knife, tooth brush, button hook—all heavy sterling handles, choice 39c. each. As cut No 24—dish set, gold plated blotting pad, letter opener and stamp box—set 50c.

How is This?

Pearl handled 14 K gold plate penholder, each in a nice box regular retail price \$1.00, our price 49 CTS.

Purses.

This department is overflowing with the very best in the land. We have them from the 5c ones up to those handsome snake skins with heavy gold mountings.

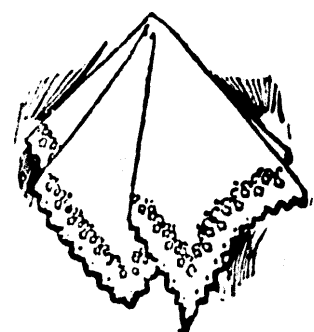
Linens

A fine linen table cloth makes a nice present. We are showing extra fine linens, 2 1-2 to 3 yard lengths, from 59c to \$1 79 each—these are worth up to \$1 25 per yard but in this way you get them much less than the cost to make. Elegant napkins to match.

HANDKERCHIEFS...

We are making a special display of handkerchiefs, and in lawns, linens, japonette and silks we have everything fine.

3000 handkerchiefs at 5c each.
1000 Ladies' initial handkerchiefs at 7c,
1000 Men's initial hdkfs. at 10c, silk letters.



For Men's Wear.

We are showing a beautiful line of men's puff ties and Oxford Mufflers. If you are looking for something extra nice in colored silk or satin mufflers like cut, we have them for you at 50c and \$1.

In Collar and Cuff Boxes

WE CAN PLEASE YOU.

This oval shape, fancy grain, embossed leather box, with metal box in lid for buttons, each 89c. Others up to \$4.

Umbrellas.

For men and ladies we are showing an unsurpassed line and we invite you to inspect these before buying. At 50c we have a good umbrella, steel rod, paragon frame, sterling swedge, handsome congo handles, these cannot be equaled elsewhere. Then we can show you for men the new style handles with sterling initial plates and Prince of Wales tassel

NOTICE! We positively guarantee every article as represented. We have with us a first class engraver and we engrave FREE all sterling silver where the space permits.

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110 East Main Street, Benton Harbor

...the stomach, liver and kidney troubles as well as women, and all feel better in less of appetite, poise, the blood, backache, nervousness, headache and tired, listless, run-down feeling. But there's no need to feel like that. J. W. Gardner, of Idaville, Ind., says: "Electric Bitters are just the thing for a man when he don't care whether he lives or dies. It gave me new strength and good appetite. I can now eat anything and have a new lease on life." Only 50 cents at Lowe & Witherspoon's drug store. Every bottle guaranteed.

EXCURSION NOTICE

"WEST MICHIGAN R.Y."

Excursion Rates for Christmas and New Year.

Chicago & West Michigan agents will sell tickets on December 23, 24, 25, 31 and January 1 to all points in Michigan and to points in Canada, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, at one and one-third fare. Return limit January 1, 1900.

Purchase your Christmas candies at the Candy Kitchen, 123 Territorial street. All fresh, pure candies made every morning. Pop corn, nuts of all kinds, fruits, everything fresh and nice and cheap. A. E. ATKINS. 6846

Why not try a sack of Nold's Best Flour?

Having greatly improved the quality of flour known as Wedding Bells, we will now place on the market a new brand, which will be known as

NOLD'S BEST

It is equal to most winter wheat patents. Try a sack, all leading grocers keep it.

Draying.

All kinds of light draying and wood and coal delivered. Twin City phone, 371; Bell phone 328.

W. R. KENNEDY.

Michigan's famous cigar, Columbian, 5c

Fresh taffy candy at Wallace Bros.

FOR CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR HOLIDAY EXCURSIONS.

The Vandalla Line will sell excursion tickets at reduced fares from all stations to points on its own line, and also to many points on connecting lines. For full particulars call on nearest Vandalla Line Ticket Agent, or address E. A. FORD, Gen. Pass'r Agent, St. Louis, Mo.

Glass ware at Wallace Bros.

Reasonable prices for the finest rigs in the city can always be obtained of A. Kennedy. Leave orders at Kennedy's jewelry store.

Tin ware at Wallace Bros.

When you want a stylish rig visit the livery barn of A. Kennedy or leave your order with W. E. Kennedy.

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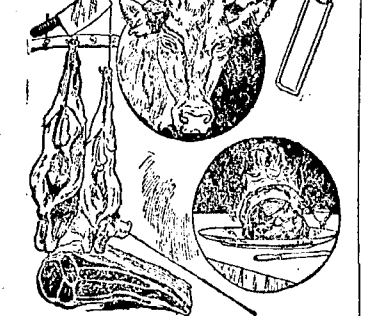
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LOCAL BREVITIES

REGULAR meeting of Puritan lodge K. of P. tonight.

The person who lost a house key can find the same at this office.

The meeting of the Chautauque circle has been postponed for a week.

W. W. HARPER, and not Timothy Talbot, will open the new saloon in the Yore block.

The L. O. T. M. members are requested to leave donations for the poor at the Hotel Higbee.

A MOVE has been started to build a dam across the St. Joseph river between Elkhardt and Bristol.

THE case of the West Michigan nurseries vs. Cutler & McKee was not finished in Justice Kibball's court yesterday and the arguments in the case are being heard this afternoon.

THOSE who are to take part in the tableaux at the Congregational church Xmas night are urged to meet at the church tonight after prayer meeting. A full attendance is desired.

COL. George W. Bain, the famous Kentucky orator, will lecture on the "New Woman and the Old Man" at the Methodist church next Wednesday evening. This will be the fourth number in the Y. M. C. A. course.

COUNTY Treasurer Clark and J. N. Reed, editor of the Banner Register, had a heated argument in the county clerk's office this morning. It is possible that the two gentlemen will engage a hall and have a public debate.

THE sugar beet factory will run for about ten days yet. Only half of the beets from the Shaker farm have been brought down to the factory on account of the scarcity of cars on the M. B. H. & C. There are about forty cars of beets to ship from Buchanan and the crop from many sections has not been all delivered.

G. M. BAITINGER, who for several years past has been the successful undertaker of Hartford, has sold out his business in that village and will locate in this city. Mr. Baitinger is a first class man and has an elegant new funeral car for use here. Mr. and Mrs. Baitinger were given a reception by their many friends in Hartford before they left for this city.

THE steam barge George Dunbar which left St. Joseph last Tuesday afternoon bound for Muskegon encountered the heavy blow and was forced to seek shelter in the harbor at South Haven. Yesterday when the boat was ready to proceed on her way it was discovered that her rudder was broken. A tug from St. Joseph was sent for and the Dunbar will be brought to this port for repairs.

J. E. Rice has received the invoice for his Christmas pictures and mats and expects the goods by Friday morning's boat.

Australian Whaling.

In 1835, the heyday of the whaling trade, when the smoky glare of the whaleships' tryworks lighted up the darkness of the ocean night, there were 41 vessels, of a total tonnage of 9,257 tons, registered in New South Wales, employed in the fishery. In the same year 22 vessels arrived in Sydney from the various grounds, their cargoes of whalebone, sealskins and sperm and black oil valuing altogether about £150,000. Now the whaling trade in southern seas is represented by two or three small and poorly equipped ships from Hobart, though the whales—sperm, right and humpback—are again as plentiful as they were in the first years of the fishery. One of the present writers, less than three years ago, counted over 300 humpbacks pass to the northward in two days on the coast of New South Wales, while there were probably double that number of the swift and dangerous "fin-back" whales traveling with them.—Fortnightly Review.

Card of Thanks.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to our neighbors and friends for their attendance at the funeral of our beloved mother, Mrs. Barbara Fox. Also to the many who sent beautiful floral tributes and especially to those who lent a helping hand during the long sickness of our dear mother. May God be ever with you in our earnest prayer. MR. AND MRS. BETZEL. LEWIS BLISS. GUSTAV BLISS.

A Card.

We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to refund the money on a 50 cent bottle of Greene's Warranted Syrup of Tar if it fails to cure your cough or cold. We also guarantee a 25-cent bottle to prove satisfactory or money refunded. J. A. Sheffield & Son, Dr. J. J. Fabry

Poverty Ball at Kings Landing

Yourself and ladies are cordially invited to attend the Grand Poverty ball at Kings Landing on Christmas night. There will be a prize of \$2 00 given to the poorest dressed couple. We make it a specialty to take the best care of your horses. W. E. VERSAW, Prop. Music will be furnished by Buckman & Calvin's full orchestra.

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A BAKER'S TROUBLE

Finds Relief at Last After Years of Pain and Suffering.

Bay City, Mich., Dec. 21.—A baker's profession is not the easiest of lives. The flour trusts and baking company trusts have made it necessary for the small baker to work longer hours and to devote an extra amount of energy to keep peace with them in securing his share of business.

Mr. L. H. Maas' 1301 Columbus avenue, Bay City, Michigan, by overwork and too assiduous attention to his business, brought on an attack of kidney trouble, which made it necessary for him to leave off working at times. He writes:

"On the recommendation of Mr. George Leyer, druggist of this place, I purchased a box of Dr. A. W. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills for my kidney trouble. They acted so well in relieving my pain and backache, that I persisted in the use of them until perfectly cured of my trouble."

"I am a well man now, thanks to the use of Dr. A. W. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills."

When the kidneys are affected by exposure, over-exertion, unusual emotions, or by the excessive use of stimulants, the other organs of the body refuse to do their work properly. The blood, not being properly filtered, ceases to furnish life force and nourishment to them.

The first sign of kidney disorder is a discoloration of and deposits in the urine. These conditions are usually accompanied by a lame weak back—backache. Dyspepsia follows with heart palpitation, torpid liver and resulting constipation.

This far, and no farther, can the disease be allowed to run and the patient still have the assurance that his case is curable. Beyond are the horrible conditions of Bright's Disease and Diabetes, and the result an early and painful death.

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Special sale Ladies' Kid Gloves, regular \$1.00 values for..... 69C
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20 pounds granulated sugar..... \$1.00 Coconut 17c
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housework. Mrs. Seeley McCord, Terri-
torial street. 6141

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stone street, or Ogden avenue, a black fox
boa. Please return to Nettie Hamilton, 282
Empire ave, or leave at this office. Reward, \$400

LOST—SOMEWHERE IN THE NEIGH-
borhood of the Methodist church a pair of
gold opera glasses. Finder return to Lowe &
Witherspoon's and receive liberal reward. 701

FOUND.

FOUND—ON PIPESTONE STREET, A
bundle with three parcels in it. The bundle
was done up in a newspaper. Owner please
call at The News office. 6913

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property and real estate. W. G. Newland,
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ON THE DEFENSIVE.

Such Is the Position of the British
Forces at All Points.

BULLER IS TRYING TO JOIN WHITE.

Absence of News from Lord Methuen
Causes Fears That His Position in
Dangerous—Buller Said to Have
Recovered Guns.

London, Dec. 21.—The latest dis-
patches received seem to show that the
British forces are standing on the de-
fensive at all points. Gen. Buller is or-
dering the troops now arriving at Cape
Town to proceed to Durban to reinforce
the Natal column. Absence of news
from him has led to a surmise that he is
trying to join Gen. White by a flank
movement.

Fears for Methuen.

The gravity of the military situation
is again becoming accentuated in the
public mind, owing to the complete ab-
sence of news. Nothing has been heard
from Lord Methuen since Sunday, and
it is feared that his communications
have been cut. If this be so, his position
is dangerous.

Volunteers Offer Their Services.

The appeals for yeomanry and vol-
unteers are being responded to with
the greatest enthusiasm in all parts
of the country. Lord Wolseley pro-
poses that the force being raised by
the lord mayor of London be called the
"City of London Imperial Volun-
teers." The government expects the
total of yeomanry and volunteers to
reach 8,000. Baron Chesham will com-
mand, with Lord Lonsdale as adjutant
general.

Long Dispatch from Buller.

London, Dec. 21.—The war office re-
ceived a 4,000-word code message from
Buller at one a. m. The contents are
not made public.

Will Be Moderate.

London, Dec. 21.—The Madrid cor-
respondent of the Standard says: The
Boer government has recently intimat-
ed to their agents in Europe their
readiness to be moderate in regard
to peace conditions.

Buller Recovers Guns.

London, Dec. 21.—A special dispatch
from Durban, Natal, dated Saturday,
December 16, says it is rumored Gen.
Buller called for volunteers to recover
the abandoned guns and that a party
issued from the camp after midnight
and brought in the guns, which were
uninjured.

According to the Chronicle's cor-
respondent, the British mounted infan-
try and irregular corps, with two bat-
teries of artillery, managed to take the
Colenso road bridge and eventually
crossed the river, but the Boer rifle fire
prevented them from pushing on, and
the battery was abandoned. Seemingly
the guns were lost on the north side
of the Tugela, and if so there is little
doubt that they were captured.

Buller Falls Back.

Chieveley Camp, Dec. 17 (delayed in
transmission).—A tacit truce between
the British and Boer forces existed
Saturday for the collection of the
wounded and dead on the battlefield
about Colenso. The British lost in
Friday's action 140 killed, 634 wound-
ed, and 311 missing or prisoners. The
Boers admit that they suffered con-
siderable loss during Friday's battle.

Gen. Buller's army moved back five
miles Sunday, the march beginning
at one o'clock in the morning, two
brigades going to Frere, in order to
defeat a possible attempt on the part
of the Boers to execute a flank move-
ment to destroy the railroad in the
British rear.

Death of a Noted Musician.

New York, Dec. 21.—Cable advices re-
ceived here announce the death in Dub-
lin on Tuesday of Prof. J. W. Glover,
the eminent musician, aged 89 years.
He gained world-wide prominence for
the creation of "Moore's Melodies," which
he harmonized and edited. Among his
numerous compositions were an orato-
rio, "St. Patrick at Tara," "The Des-
erted Village," an opera founded on
Oliver Goldsmith's poem, and an ode to
Parnell. He was for many years or-
ganist of the cathedral in Dublin.

Destroyed by Fire.

Marshalltown, Ia., Dec. 21.—The Bos-
ton store, dry goods and notions, owned
by R. C. Peterson & Co., was totally de-
stroyed by fire. Loss, \$22,000; insur-
ance, \$12,000.

Named for Governor.

Baton Rouge, La., Dec. 21.—The demo-
cratic state convention, which began
here Wednesday, nominated W. W.
Heard for governor after an exciting
session.

COMPERS IS REELECTED

Again Made President of American
Federation of Labor by Unani-
mous Vote.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 21.—The Ameri-
can Federation of Labor Wednesday
unanimously reelected all its old offi-
cers. The only contests occurred in
selections of fraternal delegates to the
foreign trades congresses. President
Compers was reelected.

The convention made formal re-
quests that all trade unions hereafter

more clearly define the work of their
respective crafts. Action was taken
warning building trades councils not
to overstep their legitimate functions
by assuming general jurisdiction of
trades unions, or issuing charters for
organizations of national trades un-
ions.

Louisville, Ky., was selected as place
of next convention. The other candi-
dates were Cleveland, Columbus, Scrant-
on, Pa.; Salt Lake City, Galveston and
Bay City, Mich.

The longest convention of the Ameri-
can Federation of Labor ever held
ended Wednesday afternoon. During
the nine days that the delegates were
in session declarations were adopted



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concerning a great variety of ques-
tions of more or less public import,
but for the first time in many years
no proposition was made or action
taken even remotely connected with
the money question or other pending
political issue. Among the closing
items of business transacted were
the adoption of resolutions appealing
to congress to submit to state legis-
latures a sixteenth constitutional
amendment to prohibit disfranchise-
ment of citizens on account of their
sex, and directing President Compers
to correspond with the trades unions
of the continental European countries
with a view of bringing about frat-
ernal relations. One of the closing
acts was a declaration against keep-
ing open stores on Sunday.

ACTS WITH ENERGY.

Gov. Pingree Asks Legislature to An-
thorize Recovering of Money
Lost by Military Board.

Lansing, Mich., Dec. 21.—Gov. Pin-
gree sent a special message to the
house Wednesday, asking for passage
of a joint resolution that would au-
thorize Attorney General Oren to in-
stitute proceedings toward recovering
the money claimed to have been lost
by the state through the military
board's alleged transaction with the
Henderson-Ames company, of Kala-
mazoo.

The house also passed the Pingree
joint resolution, submitting to the
people a constitutional amendment to
permit similar taxation of all forms
of property. The vote was 86 to 8.

Notice for reconsideration of the Pin-
gree joint resolution was made, but
was later withdrawn, and the question
of submitting the constitutional amend-
ment is now pending in the senate.

It has been referred to a special sen-
ate committee with instructions to re-
port it out next Wednesday night, to
which time the legislature will to-day
adjourn.

Will Not Resign.

Lansing, Mich., Dec. 21.—It is claimed
that Inspector General Case, whose res-
ignation as a member of the state mili-
tary board, was asked for by Gov. Pin-
gree, will refuse to resign, as he claims
to be innocent of any crime. Gen.
Case was not present at the session of
the board at which the alleged crooked
deal was made, and is only connected
with it because of having signed the
proceedings later.

Quartermaster General W. L. White,
Inspector General A. F. Marsh and Sam-
uel N. Bickerstaff, member of the board
of trustees of Kalamazoo asylum, have
handed in their resignations.

Car Shops Burned.

Dubuque, Ia., Dec. 21.—The car shop
of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul
road, the largest in the plant here, was
completely destroyed by fire after mid-
night. The loss will be \$100,000, and 300
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| Bread and Butter Plates | Mugs |
| Salad Sets | Salad Dishes |
| Ice Relishes | Bone Dishes |
| Pin Trays | Pen Trays |
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| Chocolate Pots | Ash Trays |
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| Good Baking Powder, per lb..... | .10 | Armour's Washing Powder, 2 for | .06 |
| Family Whitefish, per lb..... | .05 | 4 lbs. Cottolene..... | .25 |
| 4 cans Peas..... | .25 | Tumblers, each..... | .02 |
| 3 cans Corn..... | .25 | 4 lbs. Good Rice..... | .25 |
| 6 cans Sardines..... | .25 | Coffee per pound..... | .10 |
| 2 cans Red Alaska Salmon..... | .25 | Maple Syrup per can..... | .10 |
| 3 lb. can Pineapple..... | .12 | Lard per pound..... | .06 |
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Hungarian Count Has Won the Heart of the Ill-Fated Rudolph's Widow—All Europe Excited Over the Event.

A remarkable romance of royalty is revealed by the engagement of the Dowager Crown Princess Stephanie of Austria and Count Elmer Lonyay de Nagy Lonyay.

This engagement is authoritatively announced at Vienna, although not officially, because the Austrian court will not recognize an engagement between a member of a royal family and a person of non-royal birth.

In order to marry the man of her choice the crown princess will have to renounce all the rank and titles belonging to her as the widow of the crown prince of Austria-Hungary. How great her sacrifice is may be judged from the fact that, owing to the death of the empress, she holds the highest rank of any woman in the whole Austrian empire.

The ceremony, splendor and luxury of the Austrian court exceed any of those in the world, and the crown princess has hitherto been the most conspicuous figure at that court. Thousands of chamberlains, ladies in waiting, courtiers, noblemen, pages, officers and soldiers in medieval costume have bowed before her wherever she went and listened to do her slightest bidding. All this she will renounce.

She will also give up the palaces and the generous income allowed her by the emperor. For residences she now has a wing of the imperial palace in Vienna, the castle of Luxembourg, near Vienna, and several beautiful country houses which are not dignified as palaces.

Crown Princess Stephanie is a daughter of the king of the Belgians, and is now 35 years old. She was married in 1884 to Crown Prince Rudolph of Austria, whose tragic death at Mayerling



CROWN PRINCESS STEPHANIE. (Report Says That She Is to Marry a Plain Hungarian Count.)

In 1889 caused a sensation which has never been equaled in the annals of modern royalty.

Her life with Crown Prince Rudolph was very unhappy. That fact was often blamed by Austrians upon her, but in view of his unbridled dissipation and violent end the charge seems prejudiced.

The man whom she will marry, Elmer Count Lonyay de Nagy Lonyay, known for convenience as Count Lonyay, is a member of the highest Hungarian nobility. He is 36 years old, and was recently counselor of the Austrian embassy in Rome, a position which he has resigned in order to be married. He has great estates in Hungary. His father was a prominent patriot in the revolution which gave Hungary virtual independence in 1897.

The approaching marriage of the crown princess, says the New York Journal, lends fresh interest to the extraordinary circumstances of Rudolph's death. The prince was madly in love with the beautiful Baroness Vetsera, and he planned to relinquish his rank in order to live with her. His father, the emperor, hearing of this, reproached him so earnestly and worked upon his feelings so strongly that he persuaded him to break off the liaison.

The crown prince arranged for a last meeting with the baroness in the hunting lodge at Mayerling, where they had often met. Brattisch, a singer of merit, who also acted as cabman, drove them to Mayerling.

It was at first a very enjoyable evening that was spent there. Songs were sung, and as the wine passed freely laughter was frequent and loud. The company consisted of Prince Philip of Coburg, Count Hovos and Brattisch, and, of course, the crown prince and the beautiful baroness. It was remarked at the time that Prince Rudolph's humor seemed slightly forced, that the baroness was listless and tired.

At two o'clock, after having consumed the best part of a decanter of brandy, the prince said good night to his friends and went upstairs. He entered the baroness' room. He never left that room.

The next morning at seven o'clock Brattisch, who was so much in the confidence of the prince, went to the room to wake his royal master, who had said the night before that he would hunt on the following day. On reaching the room Brattisch, after knocking at the door, tried the door and found it locked. He entered and staggered back, fainting, at the ghastly sight which met his horrified eyes.

Lying upon a sofa, completely covered with wild flowers was the lovely Marie Vetsera. She was dead. By her side lay her lover, Prince Rudolph, clutching a heavy cavalry pistol. He had shot away the back of his head.

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Mailed free for 15 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp. Three pins in the set (larger than shown), composed of fine rolled-gold, with hands and ruby-colored settings. Suitable for waist-pins, cuff-pins, neck-pins or as a child's set.

Sash-Belt and Buckle.
Mention your waist-measure when sending.

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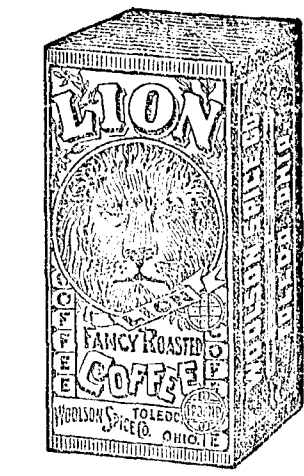
Silver Napkin-Ring.
For 15 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp. Substantial. Made of durable metal, heavily silver-plated. Two different patterns.

Coin-Purse.
For 15 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp. Color, dark brown. Made of fine kid leather; diamond lining; nickel-plated frame, with strong snap-fastening.

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Two extra fine cambric handkerchiefs, with beautiful imported lace medallion insertions in the corners. Half-inch hem, machine hemstitched; stylish and durable. A pair of these handkerchiefs given for 18 lion heads cut from Lion Coffee wrappers and a 2-cent stamp.

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368 pages of valuable cooking recipes, also treatise on the labor of the kitchen, dining-room, laundry, sick-room, and remedies for the more common diseases. Given for 15 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp.

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SOCIETY AND PERSONAL

Mrs. J.D. Paterbaugh of Coloma is in the city.

W. D. Downey went to Chicago last night on business.

John Robinson of Lawrence is the guest of relatives in the city.

Miss Alice Cummings is not able to be at the store on account of illness.

Miss Bessie Wells has returned from a short visit with friends in LaGrange.

Mrs. Fannie Scherer is moving to rooms in the third story of the Bowman block.

A. J. Wallace of Traverse City will arrive in the city Saturday to spend the holidays.

Mrs. J. S. Barker has returned from a six weeks visit with relatives in Grand Rapids.

Edward McCollough, of the firm of Crisp & McCollough, is confined to his home by illness.

Miss Maud Hilborn left on the Big Four this morning to spend Christmas with the Dales family, at Chesebrough. She will visit in Detroit and other points before she returns.

Vonna FitzGerald, who has been on the road with the big minstrel company of Sweeney & Alvord, has returned to his home in this city on account of the failure of his voice. His place has been held open for him for three weeks and if he is sufficiently recovered in that time he will join his company.

The L. O. T. M. elected the following officers at their meeting last night: Commander, Mrs. George Fales; lieutenant commander, Mrs. A. L. Wilcox; record keeper, Mrs. S. Christ; finance keeper, Mrs. C. Martin; chaplain, Mrs. Harvey; physician, Dr. Walker; surgeon, Dr. Hoyte; mistress at arms, Mrs. E. S. McCollough; sentinel, Mrs. Huggins; picket, Mrs. G. Mills; pianist, Helen Duffy.

Marriage Licenses.
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J. C. Schwendt, 23, St. Joseph; Etta B. Knapp, 21, same.

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At Densmore's 5, 10 and 25 Cent Store.

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ST. JOSEPH.

The stockholders of the Western paper company, who have been fighting among themselves are finally getting around in shape to do business. The company built a big building in St. Joseph and were nearly ready for business when they disagreed and the proceedings stopped. At a meeting held recently the company was reorganized with the following officers: Nelson E. Funk, president; D. E. Brown, vice president; A. L. Church, treasurer; W. F. Sesser, secretary. Mr. Funk was made general manager.

Don't wait till Saturday afternoon and evening to do your Xmas shopping, as it will be almost impossible to get into our store on account of the crowd. Densmore's 5, 10 and 25 cent store.

GRAIN MARKET.

Following are the prices of grain and provisions on Chicago board of trade today furnished by E. W. Moore & Co., commission brokers:

Wheat—	Open'g	High	Low	Close	Yest'y
Dec.....	65½	66½	65½	66½	65½
May.....	69½	70	69½	69½	69½
Corn—	Open'g	High	Low	Close	Yest'y
Dec.....	30½	30½	30½	30½	30½
May.....	32½	33½	32½	33½	31½
Oats—	Open'g	High	Low	Close	Yest'y
Dec.....	No trade.				
May.....	23½	24	23½	24	23½

Pork closed today at \$9.95 bid; lard, \$5.45; spare ribs, \$5.27.

Bees Stole Back Pilfered Honey.
A curious incident of the bee world is reported from Hampshire, England. A cottager took two large bars of honey and a square section from one of his hives. This honey he put into a large pan and covered it with a cloth, placing it in an upstairs room of his cottage. During the day the bees got scent of the honey through the open window and the whole hive entered the room, crept under the cloth cover and took away all the honey in an incredibly short time and stored it in their hive again. The quantity was about ten pounds in weight.—N. Y. Sun.

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HOLIDAY EXCURSION RATES

Dec. 23, 24, 25, 30, 31, 1899.—Jan. 1, 1900.

St. J., S. B. & S. R. R., will sell tickets at one and one-third fares for the round trip between all stations, also to numerous points on connecting lines, return limit, Jan. 2, 1900.

"I was nearly dead with dyspepsia, tried doctors, visited mineral springs, and grew worse. I used Kodal Dyspepsia Cure. That cured me." It digests what you eat. Cures indigestion, sour stomach, heartburn and all forms of dyspepsia. Geo. M. Bell & Co.

Michigan's favorite cigar, Columbian, 5c

Telephone 597.

120 Water St., Postoffice Bldg.

MICHIGAN TEA AND COFFEE COMPANY

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

The only Exclusive Coffee and Tea House between Chicago and Grand Rapids.

Do you drink any of the following teas:

Uncolored Japan
Old Fashioned Green Japan
Ceylon
Young Hyson
Gunpowder
Oolong
Basket Fired Japan
English Breakfast
Blended
Green and Black
Uncolored Japan
Tea Dust or Fannings

You should call for samples and prices. We have them from the best to common goods.

COFFEE prices begin at 6 cents a pound, and both quality and price advance together.

We fully guarantee every pound of goods we sell. Money back if they don't please. The best drinking tea and coffee at the best prices.

Reedeemable checks with your purchases, together with plump weight and prompt delivery, should attract you to this store.

W. D. DOWNEY

You'll have to Hurry!



If you want to cut in on our extensive line of Holiday Goods. We have everything that an up-to-date dry goods store should carry, and as we are here with the goods and our prices are right, why not look us over for

We Expect to be with you Next Christmas.



What is nicer than

A Dress Pattern Complete
A Silk or Satin Waist
A more common Wool one
A Pretty Petticoat
A Dressing Sacque
A New Umbrella
A Pair of Gloves

Table Linens
Collarets and Storm Collars
Battenberg's
Muslin or Stock Ties
Sofa Cushions
Handkerchiefs
Stamped Linens

What else could You want, any old piece in this list from one cent to \$25.00 we can suit You on Price. Come in during the week and see a GOOD STOCK.

Special No. 1. JACKETS and GOLF CAPES For the rest of the year go at 25 per cent. off.

Special No. 2. TABLE LINENS, You all know the reputation of our Linens, we import them ourselves, during this week the same price will prevail as during our famous August sale.

James & James H. Pound.

Our Great Christmas Sale is now in Progress

With the best selected stock of sensible goods shown in Benton Harbor and we simply startle competition with the low prices.

Sterling Silver

We are showing beyond a doubt the largest assortment of sterling silver novelties in town and at about half the regular retail price. Paper knives, pearl blade, sterling handle, set with jewels, 3 inches, long, 35c. Others up to 8 inches long. Any article in cut No. 22—curling iron, nail file, shoe spoon, cuticle knife, tooth brush, button hook—all heavy sterling handles, choice 39c. each. As cut No 24—dish set, gold plated blotting pad, letter opener and stamp box—set 50c.

How is This?

Pearl handled 14 K gold plate penholder, each in a nice box regular retail price \$1.00, our price 49 CTS.

Purses.

This department is overflowing with the very best in the land. We have them from the 5c ones up to those handsome snake skins with heavy gold mountings.

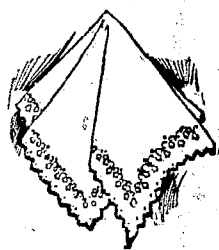
Linens

A fine linen table cloth makes a nice present. We are showing extra fine linens, 2 1-2 to 3 yard lengths, from 59c to \$1.79 each—these are worth up to \$1.25 per yard but in this way you get them much less than the cost to make. Elegant napkins to match.

HANDKERCHIEFS...

We are making a special display of handkerchiefs, and in lawns, linens, japonette and silks we have everything fine.

3000 handkerchiefs at 5c each.
1000 Ladies' initial handkerchiefs at 7c,
1000 Men's initial hdkfs. at 10c, silk letters.



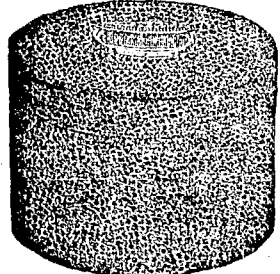
For Men's Wear.

We are showing a beautiful line of men's puff ties and Oxford Mufflers. If you are looking for something extra nice in colored silk or satin mufflers like cut, we have them for you at 50c and \$1.



In Collar and Cuff Boxes

WE CAN PLEASE YOU.



This oval shape, fancy grain, embossed leather box, with metal box in lid for buttons, each 89c. Others up to \$4.

Umbrellas.

For men and ladies we are showing an unsurpassed line and we invite you to inspect these before buying. At 50c we have a good umbrella, steel rod, paragon frame, sterling swedge, handsome congo handles, these cannot be equaled elsewhere. Then we can show you for men the new style handles with sterling initial plates and Prince of Wales tassels.

NOTICE! We positively guarantee every article as represented. We have with us a first class engraver and we engrave FREE all sterling silver where the space permits.

GEORGE B. WARREN

Enterprise Mercantile Co.

110 East Main Street, Benton Harbor

THE EVENING NEWS.

FIFTH YEAR—NO. 70

BENTON HARBOR, MICH., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1899.

TWO CENTS.

THE JURY IS OUT

Twelve Men Deciding Fate of Calvin Totman.

Admitted He Filched \$15 from the Estate

Not Legal Fight Made on Both Sides

The case of Pixley vs Totman which has been on trial in the circuit court of the week went to the jury this noon and it is thought that it will require much time for the jury to reach a verdict in the case.

A few weeks ago Attorney C. M. Ripper was engaged to visit New York state where Calvin Totman lived before he came to St. Joseph to care for Mr. and Mrs. King, and to learn how he lived when he was at home. It was found that he resigned a position as a dairy farm where he was drawing a salary of \$25 per month to come to St. Joseph, and that he had a wife and ten children who were supported by his earnings. It was also learned that a man by the name of Johnathan Totman had stolen a horse and had received a sentence in prison. Mr. Van Ripper described Calvin Totman, and the chief of police of Syracuse said it was undoubtedly the same fellow.

Yesterday afternoon when Attorney Hara was cross-examining Totman asked him if a horse had ever ran away with him or if he ever ran away with a horse and he answered yes. Then asked concerning Johnathan Totman he said that Johnathan was his father's first cousin.

Another fact brought out in the cross examination was that George Totman sent Totman \$15 to come from New York to St. Joseph and that after the death of King, Totman brought in the probate court for \$15 and received it as railroad fare from New York. When hard pressed by the attorney he practically admitted that he stole \$15 from the estate but justified himself on the ground that he "earned it."

Attorney O'Hara made his argument to the jury last night and Attorney Pixley and Valentine made their arguments this morning. All the arguments were good.

The attorneys for Totman said that he bought a part of the money with the purchased a \$1,000 mortgage on New York and that \$450 of the money was the money allowed to Mrs. King by the probate court. How Totman

Closing Out Sale

AT...
Men's Gun Store and Loan Office

Water St. Benton Harbor Mich.

Closing out my entire stock of ladies' gents' UNREDEEMED bicycles, rifles, shot guns, and all kinds of goods sold on the installment plan, first down, balance weekly paid.

Closing out my entire stock of UNREDEEMED shot guns, rifles and gents' UNREDEEMED clothes and gents' UNREDEEMED shoes at prices that will make you

Closing out my entire stock of UNREDEEMED sewing machines, only \$1.00. Closing out my entire stock of UNREDEEMED musical instruments—pianos, guitars, violins, mandolins, and one Cottage organ. Closing out my entire stock of UNREDEEMED clothing—55 good second-hand overcoats on hand, no old trash here.

Closing out my entire stock of ammunition of all kinds. Shot gun rifle powder 25c per pound; loaded shells, 12 and 16 gauge, a box at 40c per box; 10 gauge shells, 45 cents; see my line of less revolver, rifle and shot gun shells. Closing out my entire stock of UNREDEEMED gold rings at one dollar. Closing out my entire stock of fishing tackle, hunting and trap goods of all kinds. Remember I have in stock every size of chilled and buckshot made on earth.

Closing out my entire stock of shot guns and rifles to suit by the day or week.

Closing out my entire stock of tents and Wall Tents for sale.

My Soda Fountain for sale.

At 14 wagon loads of second-hand goods of all kinds for sale. I loan on all kinds of personal property, stolen goods and always have goods on hand that I am glad to sell my entire stock of wares and merchandise to any man who wants to go into business in Benton Harbor. I have sold goods in the last 22 years and I am to quit business. Will not trade for old things but want the cash. Further notice I will pay \$4.00 per pound for good, dry, clean ginseng. Nov. 1 will pay the best market price for all kinds of raw furs. Square deal at all the time.

W. A. Jackson

Is Always Everything.

Orders for new lardau of A. Kennedy made left at the jewelry store of W. A. Jackson.

man could take Mrs. King's money which was allowed her by the court was not explained by Totman's attorneys.

Mr. Valentine in his arguments to the jury several times referred to Totman as the self-confessed thief and said that a man who would lie and steal for \$15 would steal \$2,500 in gold if he had the chance.

A TAKE OFF ON DEWEY.

A Feature of the Universalist Bazar.

The Ladies Will Make Nearly \$400.

The program at the Universalist bazar last evening was unusually good. The cake walk of the preceding night was repeated and received with enthusiasm. Mrs. Prescott dressed as Topsy danced, Mr. Miley of Niles sang a negro melody in costume. Theodore Prescott gave a reading. The pantomime, "Dewey and his wife" was given and those taking part in it were Mrs. George Thayer as Dewey's wife, Dean Peters as Dewey, Harry Pound as Dewey's son and Mr. Skinner as Uncle Sam. Mrs. Thayer looked very beautiful. She was dressed in a white silk suit. The first scene of the pantomime was the presenting by Uncle Sam of a miniature house to Dewey, the next was the presenting of the house by Dewey to his wife, third, Mrs. Dewey presenting the house to Dewey's son and the last was Uncle Sam hugging Dewey.

The dance followed and the music was furnished by Prof. Fred Null. The bazar closed last evening and the net receipts are estimated at about \$350, and was a great financial and social event.

In the linen booth Mrs. H. B. Rifford received the beautiful center piece donated by Mrs. J. C. Effe of Minneapolis; Mrs. Quinn of Cleveland the Battenburg donated by Mrs. Antisdale; Mrs. Alex. King received the battenburg donated by Mrs. Hollis; Mrs. W. P. Robbins the duchess lace handkerchief made by Mrs. Mart Wood; Chas. Wenman the battenburg donated by Mrs. Bayliss; Allen Brunson the cake donated by Mr. Austin. The comfortable were drawn by H. R. Smith of the bath house and by a party residing at Heath's Corners, whose name is not known.

Gen. D. B. Ainger received the beautiful doll donated by Wallace Brothers and Enders & Young.

THE SOCIALIST MOVEMENT

An Invitation for Benton Harbor to Join It.

"Where are we at?" If you don't just know join the socialist movement of Benton Harbor and find out. Any one interested in social reform will find it to their interest to be at the meeting called for Tuesday evening, December 26. For further information enquire of H. S. WHITNEY, Pres. C. E. REEVES, Sec.

A Correction.

The Christmas tree exercises at Bethel church Sunday will be held Saturday night, December 23, instead of Friday night as announced.

Golden Wedding at Berrien Springs.

Benton Harbor, Dec. 21.—Mr. and Mrs. George Graham of Berrien Springs celebrated their golden wedding Tuesday, having been married in that village fifty years ago. At the reunion were all four of their children and every grandchild.

Hartford Water Works.

Hartford is at last in shape to fight fire with its gasoline water works plant. Full pressure can be obtained in three minutes from the time the alarm is sounded. The tower is not yet completed, but at present a direct pressure is used.

A Mountain of Alum.

In China, 12 1/2 miles from the village of Liou-Chek, there is a mountain of alum, which, in addition to being a natural curiosity, is a source of wealth for the inhabitants of the country, who dig from it yearly tons of alum. The mountain is not less than ten miles in circumference at its base and has a height of 1,940 feet. The alum is obtained by quarrying large blocks of stone, which are first heated in great furnaces and then in vats filled with boiling water. The alum crystallizes out and forms a layer about six inches in thickness. This layer is subsequently broken up into blocks weighing about ten pounds each.—N. Y. Post.

Get your Xmas candies at Denmore's.

5, 10 and 25 cent store.

Before buying your Xmas presents get William Haydon, the jeweler's prices, 114 Water street. Fine watch repairing a specialty.

Mrs. R. Churchill, Berlin, Vt., says: "Our baby was covered with running sores. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cured her." A specific for piles and skin diseases. Beware of worthless counterfeits. Geo. M. Bell & Co.

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PINGREE'S LETTER

Calling for Resignations of Military Board.

Believes That the Members are Honest

But Doubts Their Competency for Place.

Following is a copy of the letter to Quarter Master General White in which Governor Pingree asked his resignation from the military board:

My Dear Sir—The recent disclosures in connection with the dealings between the State Military Board and Henderson-Ames Co. and the Illinois Supply Co. plainly indicate that such dealings have resulted in the loss to the state of about \$10,000. In view of this, I am called upon to take such action in the matter as will protect the interests of the state.

From the disclosures thus made it would appear that the loss to the state was the result either of collusion on your part with the Henderson-Ames Co. or your failure to have exercised reasonable diligence in the matter to protect the interests entrusted to your care.

From our intimate association and my knowledge of your dealings in important public matters entrusted to your care in the past, I cannot believe that you were in collusion with those parties to defraud the state, and I am, therefore, forced to the conclusion that lack of the exercise of proper diligence or judgment on your part has caused or contributed to this result.

In either view, my duty seems plain. The public have a right to feel that their servants are both honest and competent, and it seems clear that in view of the developments referred to, the public cannot longer have confidence in the capacity of the military board to protect their interests. Under all the circumstances, I have determined to direct that immediate and vigorous steps be taken to recover the money the state has lost because of your failure to exercise proper care in the discharge of your duties, and to ask you to tender your resignation as quarter-master general to take effect immediately. Yours respectfully,

H. S. PINGREE, Governor.

The other members of the board received a duplicate of the above.

The J. Bell Hose Co. No. 1 will give their second annual ball in Conkey's hall, Friday night of this week. Nall's orchestra will furnish the music. 6963

Before buying your Xmas presents get William Haydon, the jeweler's prices, 114 Water street. Fine watch repairing a specialty.

PUT A TELEPHONE IN YOUR STORE

IT WILL DRAW CUSTOM

Occasionally you will find a store, or other place of business, so far behind the times as to be without a telephone. The telephone facilitates the transaction of business and draws custom, as nothing else can.

People like to deal with those who consider no audience too expensive, so long as it adds to the comfort of a patron.

To which class do you belong?

Michigan Telephone Co.

Wallace Bros. make their own candy Mixed Candy 5c per lb.

" " 10c " Fancy Mixed 20c " Creams 25c " Chocolate " 40c " Extra fine " 50c " Mixed Nuts 10c "

Order early as our large stock will soon be gone.

Don't forget you will find us at 113 Pipestone St., after Jan. 1, 1900.

A. S. MILES

THE WEATHER.

Fair tonight and Friday. Slight changes in temperature.

Women of the Transvaal.

The average Boer is big, brawny and strong, ruddy cheeked and wholesome, yet never handsome. The women, as a rule, do not approach the fresh and simple beauty seen in the north of Europe. Here and there throughout the Transvaal you will find a handsome Dutch girl, but not often. Their dress, usually of some cheap print, and the hideous poke bonnet, so universal, do not add to their attractions. They are curiously afraid of exposing their complexions to the sun, and are often pale and pasty in appearance. It is a curious thing to see how carefully a Boer woman will shade her face, and even keep her hands beneath her apron, when in the sun. Yet, on the whole, the women of the Transvaal are not unattractive when you get used to them.—N. Y. Herald.

A Terrible Storm.

The records of the hydrographic bureau at Washington show that the terrible hurricane which wrought wholesale destruction in Porto Rico in August last was longer lived than any storm hitherto reported to the bureau. It lasted from August 1 until August 21, within which time it traveled between 4,000 and 5,000 miles. It also began its career farther east than any tropical storm on record. It was first noticed in August 1, about halfway between the coasts of Africa and South America, a little below north latitude 12 degrees. On the 5th its center reached Porto Rico, then it turned up the coast of the United States, and was last noticed, having traveled about 500 miles directly east, near New York.—Youth's Companion.

Representatives of Antiquity.

When we read of the men who inhabited the caves of Europe at a time when mammoths roamed about the continent we seem to have gone back to a period so immeasurably remote that we can hardly picture in the mind's eye the appearance which the representatives of our race then presented. Yet, according to Prof. E. B. Tylor, the natives of Tasmania, "preserved within the present century representatives of the immensely ancient paleolithic period." Recent studies of the relics of the Tasmanians, who became extinct when brought into touch with modern civilized man, show that the workmanship of their rude implements was below that exhibited by the "Drift and Cave" men of the paleolithic times.—Youth's Companion.

No More Hand-to-Hand Fighting.

Long-range fighting is the vogue now, and, while it is expensive, it is humane, because few lives are lost. Guns, that carry two or three miles are not uncommon on battlefields, and the fight is more a fight between the guns than between the gunners. When the guns on a side are needed, surrender is inevitable whether anyone has been hurt or not. In this, as we progress, we may become humane enough to plant automatic projectiles in the mud and let them lie there, and let them lay it out. At all events, the day for hand fighting or fighting at close range seems to have passed. Michigan Commercial Appeal.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Eucalypti, Bromo, and Menthol Tablets. A dispenser for the same is at the corner of E. W. Grace St. and Water St. Benton Harbor, Mich.

A sure relief for that "ball gone" feeling in the stomach is a visit to the Hotel Phoenix lunch counter.

Michigan's favorite cigar, Columbian 5c

Buy your solid silver goods at Teetzel & Hamilton's, you know what you are getting, it is an experiment.

Shoes and... Rubbers

..Away Down

On January 1, 1900, the boot and shoe stock of A. S. Miles will be consolidated with this, and in order to make room it will be necessary to greatly reduce my stock.

If you wear shoes Now is your time to buy, as prices will be cut so deep that it will be impossible to keep goods on our shelves any length of time, we want them to move and to move quickly.

This sale will continue until January 1, 1900. The stock is unbroken now and you are sure of a fit.

B. F. WELLS

113 Pipestone Street...

...BEST...

Christmas Presents

The Best Oxford Bibles | David Harum

\$1.25 and \$1.50 | 98 cents

Other books and Christmas presents of the most suitable kinds at lowest prices. Complete line to select from.

G. M. Bell & Co.

Druggists and Booksellers.

A box of the latest papers and envelopes always makes a nice present.

January 1, 1900, our shoe stock will be consolidated with the stock of B. F. Wells at 113 Pipestone St., where we will have the finest and most complete stock of footwear in Benton Harbor. Until then we are at our old stand in the Sweet block, selling goods cheaper and better than ever before.

Don't forget you will find us at 113 Pipestone St., after Jan. 1, 1900.

A. S. MILES

Open Evenings
all of this week

HIPP, ENDERS & AVERY

Open Evenings
all of this week

During this week our store will be headquarters for Christmas gifts for the male sex. We have made extra preparation in all lines and feel confident that an inspection will satisfy the most fastidious.

"VES-TWO"

An original and unique idea in fancy silk and worsted vests...

One side is the outside,
And so is the other side.
When one side is inside,
It don't matter which side,
You wear in the outside,
For both sides are inside,
And both sides are outside.
Either side is the right side,
And both are "out of sight" sides.

PRICE \$4 AND \$5..

A handsome present for dressy men



Children's
Reefers,
Suits
and
Extra
Knee Pants
A complete
assortment...

WE CONTINUE OUR

Special Overcoat Sale

Not a question of profit making but a matter of moving the goods.



PROPER
FASHIONS
WINTER
1922-1923
MICHAELS,
STERN, CO.

All short lots of \$7.50 coats at **\$5.62**
All short lots of \$10 coats at **\$7.50**
All short lots of \$12.50 coats at **\$10.00**
Also one lot STORM KING ULSTERS, good value at \$8 50, our price **\$6.50**

A general reduction of 10 per cent will be made on all other medium and high grade coats. When you consider that we have no fictitious prices, that reductions are from actual values, you will be convinced that the above cut prices mean something

PRACTICAL AND USEFUL Christmas Gifts

SILK UMBRELLAS

With Sterling Silver and gold trimmed handles,

PRICE \$3.00 TO \$5.00

ELEGANT
TRAVELING BAGS
AND SUIT CASES

In genuine Alligator and Sole Leather.

PRICE \$5.00 TO \$12.00

FINE NECKWEAR

The latest creations in artistic Neckwear,

PRICE 50 CENTS

FULL DRESS AND
FANCY SHIRTS

PRICE \$1.00 TO \$1.50

OXFORD MUFFLERS

Strictly up-to-date

PRICE \$1.00 TO \$1.50

SILK AND SATIN
SUSPENDERS

Kid Gloves and Mittens, dressed and undressed, silk and wool lined; plain and fancy Hosiery.

A box containing one-half doz of Shaw-knit hose will make a present any man will appreciate. Colors, royal purple, cardinal, blacks, tans, navy blue and cadet blue,

PRICE \$1.50 A BOX

HIPP, ENDERS & AVERY

EXCLUSIVE OUTFITTERS FOR MEN-FOLK

THE DEAD GENERAL.

Remains of Gen. Lawton Are Taken to Manila.

WILL SOON BE BROUGHT TO AMERICA.

Universal Sorrow in the Philippine City—Bills Are Introduced in Congress to Pension His Widow.

Manila, Dec. 21.—Maj. Gen. Lawton's body was brought from San Mateo to Manila Wednesday afternoon. His staff and a squadron of cavalry acting as escort. It was found necessary to bridge the river. The funeral will take place from his late residence here, a mansion formerly occupied by a Spanish general. The body has been temporarily in a vault in El Pao cemetery, where many of the American soldiers have been interred, and a guard of honor will be maintained. When Mrs. Lawton and her four children shall have completed their arrangements for returning to the United States, the remains will be taken on a transport with an escort of officers for final interment, as is thought probable here, in Arlington cemetery.

Causes Great Sorrow.

Gen. Lawton's death has caused universal sorrow in Manila. No American officer had greater popularity among all ranks, and in his dealings with the natives he commanded their respect and confidence to a remarkable degree. The mayors whom he installed in the neighboring towns are arranging to attend the funeral in a body.

Thirteen Americans Wounded.

Thirteen Americans, including three officers, were wounded in the engagement at San Mateo, where Gen. Lawton was killed. Capt. Breckenridge's wound is not considered dangerous, although the bullet penetrated his arm and side.

It is estimated that the insurgents numbered 500 and that half of them were armed with rifles. The Americans numbered 1,300, but the command had been much depleted by sickness. The wagon train found the roads impassable and was obliged to return. The insurgents retreated to the northeast, leaving six dead. They have other forces near Taytay. This region, although close to Manila, has proved the most difficult from which to dislodge the enemy. It is now reported that the insurgents intend to concentrate at Santa Cruz, Laguna province, and in the district east of Laguna de Bay.

The American secret service reports that Aguinaldo has joined the Mariquina force.

Pension for the Widow.

Washington, Dec. 21.—Senator Fair-

banks Wednesday introduced a bill granting a pension of \$2,000 a year to the widow of Gen. Lawton.

Representative Landis, of Indiana, introduced a similar bill in the house. Mr. Landis represents the district from which Lawton's first regiment was recruited.

Tribute to Lawton.

Washington, Dec. 21.—A general order was issued from the war department Wednesday announcing the death of Gen. Lawton to the army, officially, and paying a proper tribute to his worth. It is the intention of the officials to have the remains brought to the United States for final interment, but it is not known when this can be done.

Senator Fairbanks saw the president Wednesday in regard to the return of Gen. Lawton's body to the United States. The senator suggested that the funeral ceremonies be given something of a national character.

To Lift a Mortgage.

Gen. Lawton died a poor man, although but few beyond his circle of immediate friends knew of the small pecuniary return that had come to him from his life work in behalf of his country. Therefore some of these friends have thought proper now to come to the aid of his family, as is shown by the following statement addressed to the American people issued Wednesday:

"Washington, D. C., Dec. 20, 1899.—Maj. Gen. Henry W. Lawton, United States volunteers, whose death occurred at San Mateo, Island of Luzon, on December 19, 1899, has left little but his good name as a legacy to his wife and children. A piece of property purchased by him as a home in California has a mortgage of half the purchase price still outstanding and unpaid. The undersigned have voluntarily associated themselves together for the purpose of raising funds to pay off the indebtedness. Contributions will be thankfully received by them, and be devoted to the object hereinabove set forth.

"The aid of the newspapers of the country is requested. Contributions will be received by any one of the following:

"H. C. Corbin, Adjutant General, Washington, D. C.

"John P. Weston, Acting Commissary General, Washington, D. C.

"William Ludlow, Brigadier General, Havana, Cuba.

"William R. Shafter, Major General, San Francisco, Cal.

The President's Tribute.

Washington, Dec. 21.—The president sent the following cablegram to Gen. Otis:

"Executive Mansion, Dec. 20, 1899.—Maj. Gen. Otis, Manila: I have learned, with inexpressible sorrow, of the death of Maj. Gen. Lawton, and ask to share with the officers and men of the Eighth corps in their grief. One of the most gallant officers of the army has fallen. At the time the sad news came to us his nomination as brigadier general of the regular army was a ready-made for transmission to the senate. No rank can enhance his fame. He rose from the ranks of the Ninth Indiana volunteer infantry, filling every grade in the service to that of major general of volunteers, and in three wars was conspicuous for bravery and devotion to duty. The country mourns for the death of this brave leader. Convey to Mrs. Lawton my heartfelt sympathy in her overshadowing affliction. WILLIAM McKINLEY."

A Baltimore cashier who lost \$100,000 in stock speculation shot himself through the head.

Paid Dear For His Leg

B. D. Blanton, of Traskerville, Tex., in two years paid over \$300.00 to doctors to cure a Running Sore on his leg. Then they wanted to cut it off, but he cured it with one box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Guaranteed cure for Piles 25 cts a box. Sold by Lowe & Witherspoon, druggists.

"One Minute Cough Cure is the best remedy I ever used for coughs and colds. It is unequalled for whooping cough. Children all like it," writes H. N. Williams, Genesville, Ind. Never fails. It is the only harmless remedy that gives immediate results. Cures coughs, colds, hoarseness, croup, pneumonia, bronchitis and all throat and lung troubles. Its early use prevents consumption. Geo. M. Bell & Co.

Open 365 Days Annually.

Rouse ice cream company open for business all winter, supplying fancy and plain ice creams for weddings, lodges, banquets, receptions, socials and family use. Plain brick, Neapolitan, Harlequin, Glaces, Mousses, Bombes, Frappes, Sables, tuncies, puddings, water ices, fruit creams, individuals, etc. Our creams are superior to city made goods. Phones: Bell, 328; Twin City, 271. Office hours 9 to 12 a. m., 1:30 to 4:30 p. m. Factory Water street, corner Park and Sixth. 62126

DeWitt's Little Early Risers purify the blood, clean the liver, invigorate the system. Famous little pills for constipation and liver troubles. Geo. M. Bell & Co.

Notice to Settle.

Having sold my grocery store I request all persons owing me to call and settle the same. Will be at the old store every day and evening to receive accounts. 6966 CHARLES ANTIS.

Mrs. R. Churchill, Berlin, Vt., says: "Our baby was covered with running sores. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cured her." A specific for piles and skin diseases. Beware of worthless counterfeits. Geo. M. Bell & Co.

It takes but a minute to overcome tickling in the throat and to stop a cough by the use of One Minute Cough Cure. This remedy quickly cures all forms of throat and lung troubles. Harmless and pleasant to take. It prevents consumption. A famous specific for grippe and its after effects. Geo. M. Bell & Co.

Cheer up, don't be discouraged. Your dollar will buy more good of William Haydon, the jeweler, than of any other jeweler in the city. He handles the best goods made and will beat any other prices you can get. Call and see his line, 114 Water street.

All trimmed hats go at one half off for this week only 6716 MISSES DALRYMPLE

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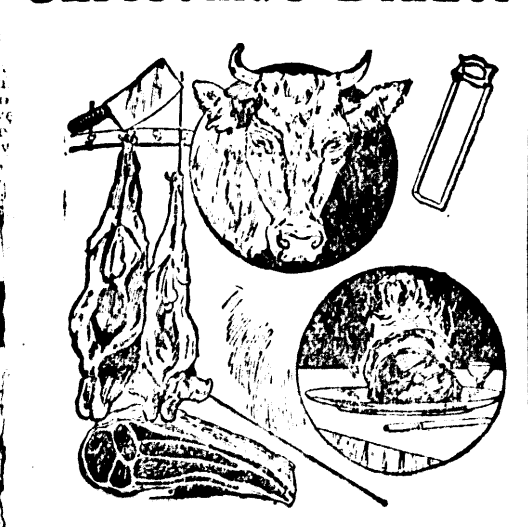
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LOCAL BREVITIES

REGULAR meeting of Puritan lodge K. of P. tonight.

THE person who lost a house key can find the same at this office.

THE meeting of the Chautauqua circle has been postponed for a week.

W. W. HARPER, and not Timothy Talbot, will open the new saloon in the Yore block.

THE L. O. T. M. members are requested to leave donations for the poor at the Hotel Higbee.

A MOVE has been started to build a dam across the St. Joseph river between Elkhart and Bristol.

THE case of the West Michigan nurseries vs. Cutler & McKee was not finished in Justice Kibb's court yesterday and the argument in the case are being heard this afternoon.

THOSE who are to take part in the tableaux at the Congregational church Xmas night are urged to meet at the church tonight after prayer meeting. A full attendance is desired.

COL. George W. Bain, the famous Kentucky orator, will lecture on the "New Woman and the Old Man" at the Methodist church next Wednesday evening. This will be the fourth number in the Y. M. C. A. course.

COUNTY Treasurer Clark and J. N. Reed, editor of the Banner Register, had a heated argument in the county clerk's office this morning. It is possible that the two gentlemen will engage a hall and have a public debate.

THE sugar beet factory will run for about ten days yet. Only half of the beets from the Shaker farm have been brought down to the factory on account of the scarcity of cars on the M. B. H. & C. There are about forty cars of beets to ship from Buchanan and the crop from many sections has not been all delivered.

G. M. BATTINGER, who for several years past has been the successful undertaker of Hartford, has sold out his business in that village and will locate in this city. Mr. Battinger is a first class man and has an elegant new funeral car for use here. Mr. and Mrs. Battinger were given a reception by their many friends in Hartford before they left for this city.

THE steam barge George Dunbar which left St. Joseph last Tuesday afternoon bound for Muskegon encountered the heavy blow and was forced to seek shelter in the harbor at South Haven. Yesterday when the boat was ready to proceed on her way it was discovered that her rudder was broken. A tug from St. Joseph was sent for and the Dunbar will be brought to this port for repairs.

J. E. Rie has received the invoice for his Christmas pictures and mat and expects the goods by Friday morning's boat.

Australian Whaling.

In 1835, the heyday of the whaling trade, when the smoky glare of the whalers' tryworks lighted up the darkness of the ocean night, there were 41 vessels, of a total tonnage of 9,257 tons, registered in New South Wales, employed in the fishery. In the same year 22 vessels arrived in Sydney from the various grounds, their cargoes of whalebone, sealskins and sperm and black oil valuing altogether about £150,000. Now the whaling trade in southern seas is represented by two or three small and poorly equipped ships from Hobart, though the whales—sperm, right and humpback—are again as plentiful as they were in the first years of the fishery. One of the present writers, less than three years ago, counted over 300 humpbacks pass to the northward in two days on the coast of New South Wales, while there were probably double that number of the swift and dangerous "fin-back" whales traveling with them. Fortnightly Review.

Cura of Friends.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to our neighbors and friends for their attendance at the funeral of our beloved mother, Mrs. Barbara Fox. Also to the many who sent beautiful floral tributes and especially to those who lent a helping hand during the long sickness of our dear mother. May God be ever with you is our earnest prayer.

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A BAKER'S TROUBLE

Find Relief at Last After Years of Pain and Suffering.

Bay City, Mich., Dec. 21.—A baker's profession is not the easiest of lives. The flour trusts and baking company trusts have made it necessary for the small baker to work longer hours and to devote an extra amount of energy to keep peace with them in securing his share of business.

Mr. L. H. Mans' 1301 Columbus avenue, Bay City, Michigan, by overwork and too assiduous attention to his business, brought on an attack of kidney trouble, which made it necessary for him to leave off working at times. He writes:

"On the recommendation of Mr. George Leyer, druggist of this place, I purchased a box of Dr. A. W. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills for my kidney trouble. They acted so well in relieving my pain and backache, that I persisted in the use of them until perfectly cured of my trouble."

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When the kidneys are affected by exposure, over-exertion, unusual emotions, or by the excessive use of stimulants, the other organs of the body refuse to do their work properly. The blood, not being properly filtered, ceases to furnish life force and nourishment to the tissues.

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Extra Super, two ply, all wool filled carpets per yard..... **41C**

Gloves and Mittens.

Special sale Ladies' Kid Gloves, regular \$1.00 values for..... **69C**

Double Wool Mittens at..... **15, 19, 25, AND 48C**

Kid and Mocha Mittens at..... **48, 69, AND 98C**

Ladies' Jackets and Skirts

We are no longer taking into consideration the cost of our Jackets and Skirts but from this department you make your selection at your own price.

Our Grocery Department

When we stop to look at the low price, it fully explains the wonderful selling.

20 pounds granulated sugar..... **\$1.00** Coconut..... **17c**

21 pounds C sugar..... **\$1.00** Tea tips, sold elsewhere for 35c for 25c

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15 bars Fairbanks soap..... **25c** Choice Blended Coffee..... **10c**

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Only this week to do your Xmas buying

We cannot impress upon you too forcibly the advisability of doing your holiday shopping as early as possible. Remember our entire stock of China goods, which includes some of the finest selections in the city for Christmas presents, together with our whole line of Crockery, Lamps and Glassware at cost. These goods must be closed out by January 1, 1900, and we will offer you bargains in these lines never offered before.

Special prices on Candy, Nuts and Fruits

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A QUIET CHRISTMAS.

Celebration at the White House Will Be a Simple One.

MRS. M'KINLEY'S HEALTH NOT GOOD.

Gifts for the President and His Wife Are Arriving—Congress Not Likely to Take Action on Nicaragua Canal Question.

Washington, Dec. 22.—Many senators and representatives called upon the president Thursday to pay their respects and extend their Christmas greetings before leaving for their homes to spend the holiday season. Among them was Representative Richardson, the democratic leader of the house, who was accompanied by Representative McClellan, of New York, and Representative Stallings, of Alabama. The president is very cordial in his responses to these evidences of good will. He appears to be enjoying exceptionally good health.

No extensive preparations are making for the Christmas celebration at the executive mansion this year, owing to the state of Mrs. McKinley's health, and the day probably will be a very quiet one. Miss Grace McKinley and Miss Sarah Duncan, nieces of the president, will be guests at the white house during the holidays. Abner McKinley and his wife also will be here. The white house steward long since ceased to give himself any concern about the Christmas turkey. For many years the fattest, juiciest bird in Rhode Island has arrived with the compliments of the raiser.

Many Gifts Coming.

Many boxes have already reached the white house, containing gifts for the president and Mrs. McKinley, and a considerable number of presents are already on their way to their destinations from the white house. Most of Mrs. McKinley's gifts are exquisite products of her own handiwork. Last year Mrs. McKinley went to New York before the holidays and purchased many little things for the servants and white house attaches, but this year her illness prevented her from making the trip. It is the custom to remember every married employee of the white house with a big, fat turkey, and every unmarried attaché with a suitable present.

Little Hope for the Canal.

Washington, Dec. 22.—Legislation providing for the construction of a transisthmian canal is not probable during the present session of congress. Both the Nicaraguan canal committee in the senate, presided over by Senator Morgan, and the house committee on interstate and foreign commerce, presided over by Mr. Hepburn, of Iowa, propose to take the matter up without waiting for the report of the Walker commission. It is extremely improbable, however, that they will be able to get a bill through either house of congress before the report is available.

The Walker commission will leave New York January 6, going direct to Greytown, Nicaragua, by the regular mail steamer. They will go over the route of the Nicaraguan canal to the Pacific side, and will then go by steamer to the Pacific end of the Panama route. The commission has now in the field ten surveying parties. The commissioners estimate that it will take about a year to complete all their work and make their report.

Senator Morgan has never given his approval to the sending of additional commissions to the isthmus, being satisfied with the information already available as to the practicability of the canal. He will endeavor to have his bill reported from the committee. Representative Hepburn also believes the provision for the Walker commission was intended to delay the construction of a canal, and will endeavor to have his committee take up the subject immediately after the holiday recess.

PLACED ON WARSHIP.

Bodies of the Maine Dead to Be Brought Back to the United States by the Texas.

Havana, Dec. 22.—The removal of the dead of the Maine was not accompanied by any ceremonies over the bodies, as newly confined they were placed in the mortuary chapel of the cemetery until all was completed. At ten o'clock at night ten wagons formed a procession carrying 151 coffins to the Machina wharf, passing through unfrequented streets. The bodies reached the wharf at 11:30 under a strong guard from the battleship Texas, were placed aboard two steam lighters before daylight, and were taken to the warship at six a. m.

She left here at 10 a. m. All the remains were thoroughly disinfected.

Adjourned for a Week.

Lansing, Mich., Dec. 22.—Both branches of the legislature adjourned Thursday until next Wednesday. Some of the Pingree representatives sought to prevent the adjournment, without avail. The senate passed the house joint resolution authorizing proceedings to recover the money alleged to be lost to the state by the military board deal.

Buys a Railroad.

Clarksburg, W. Va., Dec. 22.—It is stated that Baltimore & Ohio railway interests have purchased the Monongahela River railway, extending from Clarksburg to Fairmont, a distance of 84 miles, for \$600,000.

Iowa Anti-Saloon League.

Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 22.—The call has been issued for a meeting of the Iowa Anti-Saloon league, a semi-political organization having county branches all over the state, to meet here January 11 and 12.

SHORT SPECIALS.

King Alexander of Serbia has granted amnesty to 232 prisoners.

The French chamber passed a law permitting girls to work 11 hours a day.

Congressman Boutelle, of Maine, is seriously ill in Boston of congestion of the brain.

The Georgia Central railway refused to allow Bishop Turner, a negro, a sleeping car berth.

Stockholders have brought suit to prevent the sale of the Wagner company to the Pullman company.

The United States government will prevent the organization of forces in America to help either Boers or British.

Col. Henry M. Kildner, of Evanston, Ill., gave the King's Daughters a \$25,000 site for their home, in which Chicago working girls will have summer outings.

It is authoritatively stated that Judge Bradley, of the Ohio supreme court, will resign in a few days to become the counsel for the National Salt company, commonly called the salt trust.

The death is announced, at St. Petersburg, December 8, of Chevalier Anton de Koutski, the famous pianist, aged 82 years. He was the author of the celebrated work: "The Awakening of the Lion."

Frederick W. Vanderbilt was elected a director of the Canada Southern Railway company, succeeding his brother, the late Cornelius Vanderbilt. Charles F. Cox, formerly vice president, was elected president.

Gen. Otis has notified the war department that the transports Senator and Benmore arrived at Manila Thursday, with the Forty-fifth infantry and two batteries of the Sixth artillery. No casualties were reported.

T. C. Kirby, proprietor of a hotel at Perry, Kan., shot and killed G. A. Foley, and riding to Oskaloosa surrendered to the sheriff. Foley was a boarder at the hotel. Kirby asserts the dead man had ruined his daughter.

Lawyer Allin has arrived at Santiago de Cuba to defend Fred T. Moore, formerly assistant teller of the National Bank of Commerce, Boston, who was arrested in October last, at Valparaiso, charged with embezzling \$50,000 from the bank.

A special from Dallas, Tex., says: F. M. Etheridge, one of the most prominent lawyers in the city, shot Attorney Edwin O. Harrell, who is equally well known, four times in a crowded elevator in the North Texas building. Harrell died later at his home.

Mr. Tracewell, the comptroller of the treasury, has allowed the claim of Swift & Co., of Chicago, for the price of 300,000 pounds of fresh beef which, according to contract, was shipped from Newport News, Va., on August 5, 1898, for use of the army in Puerto Rico.

A dispatch from Paris announces the death of Mrs. Walden Bell, aged 88 years. She was a member of the well-known Elbery family, of Rhode Island, and was born in New Orleans, for which city she was christened Orleans Redwood Elbery. For 25 years she was a leader of society in New York.

A special from Iowa, Kan., says: Fire, which started in the north end of the kiln room Thursday morning, destroyed \$250,000 worth of property belonging to the Lanyon Zinc company, at Lanyonville, five miles east of Iowa. The 200-foot metal-lined smokestack fell, killing two men working on the roof.

The withdrawal of the three White Star liners, Majestic, Cymric and Britannic and the Cunard liner Umbria, all royal mail steamships, from such service for the purpose of being turned into British army transports, has upset the plans of the postal authorities for the prompt delivery of Christmas letters from European countries.

In the steerage of the French liner L'Aquitaine, which sailed from New York for Havre, there were 25 stowaway men who, it is supposed, are going to enlist in the Boer army. The men came to the pier in a body under the evident leadership of one man and all were noncommittal as to their plans. Most of the men appeared to be Holland Dutch.

THE MARKETS.

Grain, Provisions, Etc.

Chicago, Dec. 21.

FLOUR—Quiet and firm.

WHEAT—Unsettled. December, 65 1/2; May, 69 1/2.

CORN—Higher. Cash quoted at 30 1/2; December sold at 30 1/2; January at 30 1/2; May at 32 1/2.

OATS—Stronger. December, 22 1/2; May, 23 1/2.

RYE—Was weaker with only a small demand. No 2 quoted at 26; No 3 at 25; and No 4 at 24.

BARLEY—Offerings light and market firm. Low grade of feed, 36 1/2; high quality, 39 1/2.

MEAT—PORK—Offerings were fair and demand rather active. Prices quoted at \$9.00 for new, and \$8.85 for regular.

LARD—Demand only fair, and offerings not very large. Prices quoted at \$5.25 for choice; \$5.00 for regular; \$4.75 for December; \$5.25 for January, and \$5.00 for May.

SHORT SUGAR—Offerings not very large, and demand fairly active. Prices quoted at \$11.00 for cash, according to age; \$10.75 for December; \$10.50 for January, and \$10.25 for May.

POTATOES—Market dull. Burbanks, 40; Peerless and Hebrons, 40; Rose, 40; Kings, 38; mixed, 37.

EGGS—Market easy. Loos off, cases returned, strictly fresh eggs, 19 1/2; old fresh eggs, quoted at 18 1/2; country candied stock, cases included, 16 1/2.

BUTTER—Quiet and dull. Creameries, extras, 22 1/2; per pound, firsts, 21 1/2; seconds, 17 1/2; dairies, 18 1/2; imitation creameries, 18 1/2.

EGG POULTRY—Dull and weak. Turkeys, 24 1/2; Chickens, 6; Ducks, 4 1/2 per pound; Geese, \$3.00.

New York, Dec. 21.

FLOUR—Again very slow, but steady; closing firmer with wheat, winter extras, \$2.50.

WHEAT—Spot steady; No. 2 red, 74; options closed firm, at 74 1/2; not advanced; March, 74 1/2; closed 74 1/2; May, 74 1/2; closed 74 1/2; July closed 75 1/2; December, 75 1/2; closed 75 1/2.

CORN—Spot firm; No. 2, 40 1/2; options closed firm at 40 1/2; advanced; May, 38 1/2; closed 38 1/2; December closed 39 1/2.

OATS—Spot quiet; No. 2, 28 1/2; No. 3, 28 1/2; No. 4, 28 1/2; No. 5, 28 1/2; No. 6, 28 1/2; No. 7, 28 1/2; No. 8, 28 1/2; No. 9, 28 1/2; No. 10, 28 1/2; No. 11, 28 1/2; No. 12, 28 1/2.

CHEESE—Firm. Fall made fancy small, 12 1/2; fall made large fancy, 12 1/2; late made small, 12 1/2; large late made, 11 1/2.

Live Stock.

Chicago, Dec. 21.

HOGS—Choice to fancy strong-weight shipping, \$1.00; rough to good heavy-packing, \$3.50; plain to choice heavy-mixed, \$1.00; assorted light, \$1.25; common to choice light mixed, \$3.35.

CATTLE—Christmas Bevers, \$6.00; choice fat Steers, \$5.75; good medium shipping and export Steers, \$5.00; plain grades, \$4.00; common and rough, \$3.00; fair to choice Feeders, \$3.90; plain to good Stockers, \$3.50; Bulls, poor and heavy to fancy light, \$2.00; fed Western Steers, \$4.00; fed Texas Steers, good to fancy, \$4.50; half-fat grass Texas Steers, \$4.00.

Proof Positive.
"Yes," said the scientific passenger, "It is a well-established fact that dark-haired women have much more violent tempers than their blond sisters."

"Are you sure of that, mister?" asked the meek little man across the aisle.

"There is no doubt about it, my dear sir," said the S. P. "But have you a personal interest in the matter?"

"Well, yes," replied the meek individual. "I've always suspected that my wife bleached her hair, and if what you say is true I know it now."—Chicago Evening News.

Inexplicable.

"In this article," said Mrs. Billus, "the writer says more colds are caused by cold feet than any other one thing."

"That has been my experience for nearly 20 years," remarked Mr. Billus, with a wheeze.

And then, to the surprise of all present, Mrs. Billus became furiously angry. —Chicago Tribune.

Astonishing Trick.

Wonderful—that prestidigitateur did some wonderful tricks.

Husband—Ah, and what was one of them?

"He asked if anyone had \$20, and I had, and he said he would change them to \$10. And he did, and here are the \$10 to prove it."—Boston Courier.

Small Want.

Lady of the House—Go on away from here. We have no old clothes, no cold victuals, no—

Hopeless Henderson—I didn't want nothin' to eat nor wear. I jist called to see if you had a old automobile to give away.—Indianapolis Journal.

A Sticky Interference.

Farmer (from Illinois)—It's wonderful how things do grow in my state.

Mrs. Eastern (whose remembrance of Chicago mud is still vivid)—Oh, not at all; they're only trying to get away from the soil.—Judge.

Regrets.

Regrets are not the worst things of life. We would never experience them if we had not repented of that which caused them, and thereby attained a higher moral viewpoint.—Detroit Free Press.

Cutting the Knot.

Margaret—What am I to do when they both say they love me?

Dolly—Marry the man you feel the least pity for, dear. —Philadelphia North American.

Justifiable Suspicion.

You are always justified in suspecting a man who offers to pay you a dollar interest for the use of two dollars for a week or so.—Atchison Globe.

Paid Dear For His Leg.

B. D. Blanton, of Thackerville, Tex., in two years paid over \$300.00 to doctors to cure a Running Sore on his leg. Then they wanted to cut it off, but he cured it with one box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Guaranteed cure for Piles. 25 cts. a box. Sold by Lowe & Witherspoon, druggists.

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Having sold my grocery store I request all persons owing me to call and settle the same. Will be at the old store every day and evening to receive accounts. 6166 CHARLES ANTIS.

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SOCIETY AND PERSONAL

Miss Myrtle C. Ruth is expected home Saturday to spend Christmas.

Mrs. Howard Vincent went to Coloma today, where she has a large dancing class.

Prof. E. A. Wilson and wife will leave tonight for Lenawee county to spend the holidays.

F. W. Sessions and family left this afternoon for Spring Lake, where they will spend the holidays.

P. B. Chase and wife left today for Chicago where they will spend the holidays with their children.

Miss Gertrude Davis, of Berrien Springs, is in the city taking the baths at the Mineral bath house.

Richard Newton will leave for Coldwater tomorrow to spend Christmas with his mother and friends.

W. H. Miller, of Berrien Springs, is taking a course of baths at the Excelsior bath house in this city.

Mrs. S. Comport of Chicago is spending the holidays with her friends Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Chesley, Hulbert block.

Mrs. George Snod who has been the guest of her daughter Mrs. Al Emerson left last night for Chicago to spend Christmas with relatives.

Mrs. Kittie Schler returned this afternoon from the academy at Longwood for a two weeks' vacation. The S. S. T. C. met her at the train.

Henry Butzbach, who for the past twelve years has been conducting a hardware store in California, has arrived at his home in this city to spend the holidays.

The news of Miss Laura Stover's marriage to Mr. Nelson of St. Paul has just reached this city. Miss Stover was married last September and the couple are residing in St. Paul.

W. C. Baker, brother-in-law of Rev. J. W. Taylor, who has been employed on the St. Joseph, South Bend & Southern road, left today for Marion, where he will go to work for the Big Four road.

Edson Valentine, Frank King, Charles Tompkins, Albert Parsal, Charles and Benjamin Ewald, Fred Cogshall and Harry White arrived home today from Ann Arbor to spend the holidays. Other Benton Harbor boys who are attending school there are expected home tomorrow.

Holland Sentinel, yesterday: Bert Niemeyer returned last evening from New York City where he has been employed in the carving department of the Hermann Furniture & Plumbers Cabinet, one of the largest institutions of its kind in the United States, employing 1,000 men. Mr. Niemeyer will leave tonight for Benton Harbor and on January 2 will return to New York City. He has an excellent position.

Mr. and Mrs. Berry entertained the Rev. Mr. Cady and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Sykes and Mrs. N. J. Eldred last evening at tea. After tea the guests were shown through the beet sugar factory.

ST. JOSEPH.

Willis Stevens has returned from college for the holidays.

No place like the old reliable White House store. Thousands of people are made happy daily with useful holiday goods. Don't miss the great sale, as it will last only 3 days longer. All see the great stock of holiday goods at prices to astonish you.

Probate Court.

Theodore U. Perry, administrator, was licensed to sell at private sale the real estate of William Cassel, deceased, for the payment of claims.

Bert O. Johnson was appointed administrator of the estate of Brayton H. Westcott, deceased.

Thomas Mars was appointed by the court administrator of the estate of Pallis H. Webster, deceased, late of Berrien township.

William M. Brown filed his petition for the probate of the will of Charles Marsh, deceased, late of St. Joseph, and for the appointment of himself as executor of said estate. Hearing set for January 15 at 10 a. m.

John J. Hauser and others filed a petition for the probate of the will of Joseph W. Hauser, deceased, late of St. Joseph, and for the appointment of himself and Mary E. Hauser as executors of said estate. Hearing set for January 22 at 10 a. m.

A Keen Clear Brain

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Delayed Christmas Books.

Mrs. J. E. Harvey, who has taken orders for Christmas books, regrets to notify buyers that the books will not arrive in time for Christmas. The books were shipped many days ago and are sidetracked somewhere.

Poverty Ball at Kings Landing

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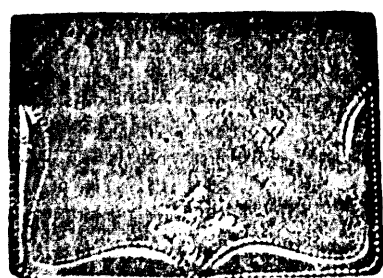
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How is This?

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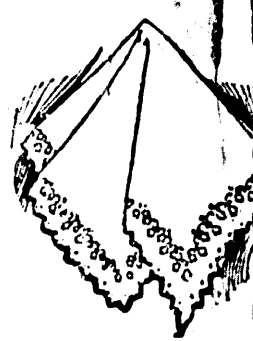
Linens

A fine linen table cloth makes a nice present. We are showing extra fine linens, 2 1-2 to 3 yard lengths, from 59c to \$1.79 each—these are worth up to \$1.25 per yard but in this way you get them much less than the cost to make. Elegant napkins to match.

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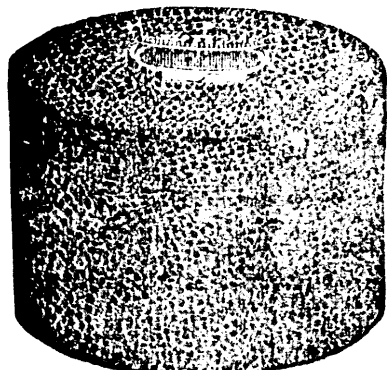
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